

J. O. Buswell points out that egoistic hedonism leads to the anti-social paradox. Altruistic hedonism leads to the paradoxical attempt to add up pleasures which are of a heterogeneous and self-contradictory nature. If one takes the "kingdom of God and his righteousness" as the ethical norm and goal, pleasure has its proper place.

"Hedonistic paradox"== the fading out of the affective tone of pleasure.

Herbert Spencer taught that the norm and goal of ethics is adjustment to the environment.