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Not the same to say that nothing is entirely good...

Not the same to say that nothing is entirely good or nothing entirely bad, unless in a relative way. Because absolute ill is not an absolute in the sense of absolute good. Absolute good is perfection. Absolute ill is nothing. All things are fallen from perfection. They are not fallen from imperfection.

All things participate in imperfection and are comprehended as imperfect by the *idea* of perfection.

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