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Augustine discussion

Augustine: [Re: FH] The story is indeed not gripping though. It might have been if the book was 80% shorter though. I read the first 40% in like 2 days, the last 60% in like 3 weeks.

J: ok well, what one finds gripping is a matter of ideas

J: People like/dislike things for reasons, and the reasons may be mistaken

Augustine: [offering a case where he thinks J's idea in the parent applies]

Let's say, I like watching X videos because I become a better orator when I do.

Augustine: [offering a case where he thinks J's idea in the parent doesn't apply]

I love my son?

J: So some mom says "I love my son." You ask "Why?" She says "Cuz he's a good boy." He's actually a convicted murderer and rapist.

Augustine: love for a child is not a matter of reason so asking why is silly. :slight\_smile:

J: So your position is that there is a class of things (e.g. love for kid) outside of rational analysis, and so my statement doesn't apply to things in that class?

[Augustine agreed]