

Reading Guide book XVIII

1. Why does Antiochus hold Achilles' hand?
2. Why does Thetis go to see Achilles?
3. What two things does Achilles say he has lost?
4. What does Achilles wish could die (line 126)?
5. What does Achilles renounce?
6. Why does Iris fly to Achilles, and why does he say he can't go to war?
7. What happens to Achilles, and what does he do to arrest the Trojans in their battle over the body of Patroclus?
8. What does Polydamas advise and what is Hector's reply at line 330?

9. Line 360 sounds a bit like scripture. Which scripture?

10. Why do the Trojans applaud Hector's daring?

11. What is happening between Zeus and Hera at line 420?

12. We something odd at line 440, and again at 490. What is it?

13. What does Hephaestus agree to do?

14. What is represented on the shield of Achilles:
 1. Of the cosmos?

 2. Of the Cities of Man?

 3. Of the working of Nature?

 4. Of the art of life?

 5. What bounds it all?