Abstract: The exemplum of moral strength represented by soror Helviae in dial. 12.19.1-7 combines τόποι of consolatio and λόγος ἐγκωμιαστικός with a particular disposition, which doubles the central narrative nucleus (ἐπιδιήγησις) and involves the same Seneca as a guarantor of its truth.

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