

Bust Of Epicurus Reconstructed - Great Video Shared by Elli!

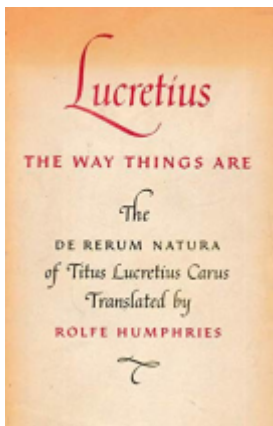
Post by "Cassius" of April 22, 2021 at 11:28 AM

You know, Don's comment has me thinking and combining a couple of things. The caption "This is PLEASURE" makes a lot of sense, but I think Epicurus would himself think something else was more appropriate. The connected point is something we rarely talk about, but it remains one of my favorite semi-poetic translations -- the translation by Rolfe Humphries.

So my proposal for the caption would be:

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This is *THE WAY THINGS ARE!*



That's the intensity I see in these eyes:

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All fun aside, I do think more and more that Epicurus probably continued to think as he got older the same way he apparently approached life as a child, when he first wanted to get behind the inconsistency of the contention that the universe came from "Chaos."

I therefore doubt he saw his work on "pleasure" as really the crowning achievement of his life work. I would think if we could talk to him today, he would say that what always drove him, from start to finish, and where he found his greatest pleasure, was in searching for the truth about "**the way things are.**"