

The Epicurean Gods As A Standard To Which To Aspire

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"Atheism for Epicurus would be at bottom an attack on the reliability of sense perception."

That's an aggressive way of stating it, but I don't really disagree. Certainly Epicurus wrote first principles of the good life. First of all believe that god is a being immortal and blessed, even as the common idea of a god is engraved on men's minds, and do not assign to him anything alien to his immortality or ill-suited to his blessedness : but believe about him everything that can uphold his blessedness and immortality. For gods there are, since the knowledge of them is by clear vision.