

AFDIA - Chapter Sixteen - Text and Discussion

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I hate it when I look for a section during a recording and can't find it. Here is what I was looking for in regard to Frances Wright suggesting that Epicurus' views would allow even for alien visitation to Earth, which - even if true - would still not be relevant to supernatural creation of the universe.

Quote

Of the sentient beings comprised in the infinity of matter I know but those which I behold. I set no limits to the number of those which I behold not; no bounds to their power. One or many may have given directions to the elementary atoms, and may have fashioned this earth as the potter fashions its clay. Beings possessing such power may exist, and may have exercised it. *All-powerful* still they are not, or being so they are wicked: *evil exists*. I know not what may be — but this my moral sense tells me cannot be — a fashioner of the world I inhabit, in his nature all-good and all-powerful. I see yet another impossibility; a fashioner of this world in his nature all-good and *fore-knowing*. Granting the possibility of the attributes, their united existence were an impossible supposition in the architect of our earth.”