

Welcome ResponsiblyFree!

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Just a quick response, Cassius, to your comments above on

"We don't want to let modern politics create division within the forum" and

"arguments that imply that Epicurean philosophy would provide general support for specific political positions of today's left, right, or middle are beyond the scope of what we are here to discuss".

I understand and respect your concern about causing conflicts among members due to exploring "political" considerations of Epicurus' work but as a Voluntaryist (all would be Rulers, including modern governments from dictatorships to democracies, are immoral since they attempt to make moral (legislate and execute) first use of physical force, and therefore should not be morally condoned or in any way supported) and Friend of Epicurus (I find wisdom in his work), I am hoping you can trust your community to maturely self-control to the extent of being able to discuss what writings of Epicurus would support (as I believe some do) a Voluntaryist orientation to Politics rather than its opposites (be they left to right wing versions of would be Rulers who try to justify Politics--the justificatory use of some few to morally, rightfully, rule the many). Whew! Just thinking on my fingers so to speak. So I hope we can attract you and some of your members to attend our Session 14 on Epicurus where you will get my Voluntaryist, Atheist, Autodidact viewpoint on Friday and Saturday (9pm NZ time); while on Sunday (9am NZ time) you will also get my co-presenter's view from a polar opposite Conservative, Christian, PhD in Philosophy viewpoint. Sapere Aude and Scire Licet! Thanks for your sterling efforts here on Epicurus.