

Did Epicurus really oversell the power of science to diminish anxiety?

Post by “Don” of February 16, 2023 at 7:56 AM

btw, I think [Cassius](#) and I have a variation on this "one size fits all" discussion at least once a year. In fact, here's one variation from 2021:

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[RE: Welcome Philia!](#)

Apologies to @Philia ...

At the risk of bogging down this Welcome thread (Feel free to branch this off, @Cassius) , I think @Cassius and I have slightly different views on this topic. Not opposed, necessarily, but different emphases starting with different interpretations of [PD10](#) .

I completely agree that Epicurus did not dictate or mandate THE Way to Live. No commandments, no mandatory sacrifices, no divinely-inspired edicts, etc.

However, on the other hand, I think that Epicurus...



Don

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It's usually in relation to [PD10](#) or the "profligate" section of the letter to Menoikeus, but it seems to be an annual event. 😊

In the end, we never seem to be diametrically opposed, but I think it's an important discussion to revisit time to time. I thought it might be helpful to put my current comments into that larger context.