

# The Vessel Analogy At The Opening of Lucretius Book Six

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Here's a footnote from Melville: "the vessel itself | Produced the flaw: a Platonic analogy (cf. Gorgias 493a ff.), but one which links to a complex of imagery within the poem: see above on 3.936, 1003, and cf. Epicurus fr. 396."

In his translation at 3.936 he refers to the leaky vessel as an "ungrateful mind".

I see [Don](#) already linked to the Gorgias text 👍