

Pros and Cons Of Considering Epicurean Philosophy To Be A "Religion"

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This brought up the idea that the label "superstition" has not always been understood in the way that we do in the modern scientific world. Just found this book "Superstition: A Very Short Introduction"

Abstract (Chapter 1 - The Origins of Superstition):

Quote

'The origins of superstition' describes practices of magic, prophecy, and divination in the ancient world, and the changing meaning of superstition through time. Throughout its long history, superstition has been a transactional concept with no fixed meaning of its own except in contrast to some other, more accepted world-view. The origin of the concept is found in ancient Greece in the 4th century bce, and for the next 2,000 years, superstition stood in contrast to the religious practices recommended by the elites. The word 'superstition' has often been levelled at practices that, even today, we would consider magical or paranormal, and yet versions of most of these practices are still with us.

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