

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

Post by "DavidN" of January 26, 2024 at 5:25 PM

As far as the question "is it a religion" to me goes. Does it take the place of a contemporary religion in your daily life? IE Does it inform your sense of morality and justice, do you draw comfort or strength from it's teachings? Do you endeavor to live as an Epicurean or is it just a discussion topic, would be the dividing line for me. Spirituality and mysticism need not apply. My example of a non faith based religion... non revealed religion, better term, is Deism a la Thomas Paine. Early science taking the place of mysticism and an uncaring creator god taking the place of more classical deities. So there is historical precedent for a modern evolution of religion. But in the end I see it as a personal choice for everyone how they choose to see, and practice Epicureanism.