

# Episode 238 - Cicero's OTNOTG 13 - Velleius Erupts Against Stoic Fate and Supernatural God-Making

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Lucretius offers a glimpse of the life of the gods in this passage in Book I;

The gods dwell far removed in profound peace, free from pain and fear, and neither placated by offerings nor moved to anger

talibus in rebus communi desse saluti. | omnis enim per se  
such important in affairs common to neglect welfare all for through themselves  
divom natura necessest 45 immortali aevo summa cum pace fruatur  
of the gods the nature are by necessity deathless of age entirely with peace enjoying  
semota ab nostris rebus seiunctaque longe; nam privata dolore omni,  
removed from our affairs and separated afar for freed from pain all  
privata periculis, ipsa suis pollens opibus, nil indiga nostri, nec  
freed from danger they by their own made mighty resources not needing us neither  
bene promeritis capitur neque tangitur ira  
good offerings receiving nor touched by anger

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