

Discussion of Blog Article - "Reality Does Not Require Being Eternally The Same"

Post by "DaveT" of April 2, 2026 at 9:20 PM

[Quote from Cassius](#)

I doubt any friendly meetings would last much longer than necessary to explore any ambiguities that one felt that they might have about some detail of the other.

Speaking as an Epicurean friend, I think you missed my point. I was not talking about those he was struggling against for contemporary dominance. I was referring to the progress of philosophy depending on the prior generations of great thinkers. And frankly, I wasn't talking about polemical writings of attack and counter attack that they may have engaged in. I was talking about great men who had to have respected the effort each put into thinking about their good fortune to be alive and grasping for truth in the best way they knew how.

I have seen and been with politicians who behind closed doors look for common ground no matter their public disagreements. I am not willing to believe if those men, though they would never have met across the centuries, men like Epicurus, Kant and later great men would have acted any other way in private. And I think that is a goal among friends discussing comparative philosophers as [Martin](#) did, and as I explained earlier in this post.

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I perceive I personally tend to want to confront other views more than I think that some others wish to do. And it's true that quarreling quickly gets tiresome, especially when it's readily available at Reddit. So that's why we have different sections and levels and try to meet as many needs as possible.

I think you missed my point here. I in no way was advocating "quarreling quickly" which you described as "tiresome". On the contrary, I was anticipating that this forum's interactions *could* be designed to avoid loosely governed combat. Reddit discussions may certainly contain threads where even juvenile and unsupported opinions can range far afield on many hotly contested issues. There is a lot of space between both ends of this spectrum.

I don't mind if the forum remains the same or if it adds to itself. I think I made myself clear on my reasons in support.

Sometimes this forum seems to take on the entire world as if in a black and white challenge to its philosophy. And yet, it is quite apparent that the goal of the forum is to host reasoned and frank discourse without excessive passion or extremism of any sort.