

Yahweh or Zeus? by John Heath

Post by “Joshua” of May 11, 2020 at 1:56 PM

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I was thinking about Epicurus' notable appreciation for the Iliad, and his ability to argue his case using the favorite work of his opponents, when I found this article.

The author argues that the amoral and oversexed Pantheon of the pagans was actually preferable to the founding myth of Christianity, where a sexless Yahweh begat an abstinent Jesus by a virginal Mary.

"They fuck you up, your mum and dad", said the English poet Philip Larkin. But that fucking-up started a very long time ago. If we cannot hope for a mass outbreak of Epicurean philosophy, a return to paganism would still be a step back toward sanity from the *really* wrong path we're on.

Post by “Godfrey” of May 11, 2020 at 3:31 PM

Excellent article, I've never given much thought to this subject. Though not the intent of the article it also effectively illuminates the counterpoint to the [Epicurean gods](#).

Post by “Joshua” of May 11, 2020 at 4:04 PM

That's an excellent additional line of inquiry, Godfrey!