

# Reverence and Awe In Epicurean Philosophy

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Good day to all of you, and happy new year.

If you permit me, I would like to add some of my thoughts in this discussion that became so complicated.

**First of all I agree with all the thoughts and comments as they have been written clearly by Elayne.**

I would like to begin with this : when the embryo in an uterus does not evolve with the right divisions of chromosomes, in many many cases Nature vomits it with a miscarriage. So, to hold and see a baby is not an issue to be a pediatrician only, it is an issue to think how much chance is needed to be born and seeing the beauty that is called Cosmos. And this is **the awe** that is also connecting with the "**gratidute**". Gratitude to the Nature, gratitude to you grand parents, gratitude to your parents (that are your first gods) IF the social environment that they have created for you, along with their pains and pleasures, permits YOU to be and living free and self-sufficient for the natural and your necessary...and then all the others.

However, IF any image as a knowledge of gods has been involved for leading people to division and strife... which is the general picture, till now actually... so, then, Nature vomits it with a miscarriage that Epicurus called it as "**ypolepsis**" and not "prolepsis". Prolepsis must **always** be judged by the senses and feelings, if NOT they become "**ypolepsis**" and that means **empty assumptions, vague opinions, vague speculations and empty beliefs... so then, Nature vomits all of them in the black hole with ideas by Plato and the worse is when it vomits them, here on earth with what we called it as "wars"**. 🤔

Moreover, IF Epicurus would live in our days, he would tell us as a wise grandppa :

<<Hey people 2.400 years have passed from the era that I lived...so many discoveries you have made, so many painful and pleasant situations and emotions you have lived and felt... and you are still waiting for so long to conclude with a definite answer on the question IF there is any god? LOL 😊

What the heck, where did you see, hear, touch, smell any god except the temples, the icons, and the statues that all were made with the money of the priesthood in coloboration with politicians just for the cunning purpose to keep you as **subordinated slaves**?

Did you ever realize that when I said the word "gods" I meant YOU, the epicureans, who are deepening inside their hearts our theories, making them in practice, and while they use inconsistency and AS ONE the Physiology (all sciences), the methodology of the Canon, and the

Ethics for making right conclusions for living your **unique life in pleasure**?

In this way, I meant that you can live like gods, BUT- and still there is a **huge BUT** - the fact of the reality, till now, and as I mentioned this in my epistle to Meneoceus, is that you are living among **MEN** and what men ? **Orangutans, chimpanzees, monkeys, and baboons. LOL** 😊

When you would be able to live among gods, then we will talk about this again. Maybe there is a definite conclusion for **living like gods among gods is an utopia**. Utopia means that there is not any place in this planet Earth that **you can live like gods among gods**. Not still now. Hope so, but the Hope, as that myth says, it was the **LAST THING** in the Pandoras box. 😊

And finally Epicurus would say something to Nietzsche :

Dear colleague on philosophy : all of your life you have searched for the Hyperman...but **First** thing first, for us, is to search **on how a man could become and living like a man, and then we will search talking about the hyperman**>>. LOL 😊

Thanks