

# Should Epicurean Philosophy Be Made More Accessible?

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## [Quote from Scott](#)

I doubt this philosophy was so wildly successful for 7 centuries without being able to be presented in simpler form, easy to understand and remember

Absolutely!! Wired has YouTube videos where an expert explains a complex topic in 5 levels of detail to different ages:  
<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLibNZv5Zd0dyCoQ6f4pdXUFnpAIIKgm3N>

We should be able to explain Epicurean philosophy in the same way. Epicureanism spread throughout the Hellenistic world not because there were so many scholars but because it appealed to such a wide swath of society. Some had deeper understanding than others, but the "basics" could be grasped by anyone, and the summaries and epitomes like the [Principal Doctrines](#) were memory aids.

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If only we had more of the original content! Some of this must surely have existed.

Oh, I bemoan this all the time! 😭 Epicurus alone wrote over 300 works. Another early Epicurean, Apollodorus, is said to have written 400 works. And that's just 2 and not mentioning Philodemus even!!

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(How are our finances? Do we have enough to engage a top tier marketing/promotions firm to develop and deploy the content? 😏😄 )

LOL 😄 No wealthy benefactors here.

Good post, [Scott](#) . Thanks!