

A Challenge To Epicurean Thinking Grounded in Epistemology and Physics

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Frankly, without solidly finding firm philosophical ground for asserting there is "nothing other than atoms and void" and being able to explain this, EP is in the same position as other systems of thought, and yes, religions. ie: a metaphysical belief system.

Philosophically, atomism is a clever answer to Parmenides' proposition that there is no change versus Heraclitus' proposition that everything is change. If we are to question atomism, and propose that *there can be existing things made of something besides particles*, we must provide an alternative answer to the Parmenides vs. Heraclitus debate.

What else could comprise reality besides parts that can be re-arranged to make wholes?

And **that's** the grounding. Atomism is true because no other position resolves that philosophical debate.