

AFDIA - Recap And General Comments After Reading Book / Completing the Chapter By Chapter Review

Post by "Cassius" of May 16, 2022 at 6:46 AM

Here's the article / commentary I would like us to consider as part of our final session and recap of our Book Review of A Few Days In Athens. Let's also use this thread to record comments and reactions after completing the chapter-by-chapter review. In the case of our Zoom review from the spring of 2022, let's specifically try to include this in our discussion for Sunday May 22.

As we've done throughout the book review, let's be sure to include comments from both of these perspectives (1) How faithful is the book to Epicurus - meaning how useful is it as a method of discussing Epicurean Philosophy? and (2) What do we think about Wright's message itself?

Thread

[Problems in Frances Wright's "A Few Days in Athens"](#)

I have dragged my feet on reading Frances Wright's fictionalized account of a student in Epicurus' Garden, partly because the language is so flowery that the passages I've seen quoted put me off. I've finally tackled it, and I have some thoughts to share. My main conclusion is that there are too many serious flaws to recommend it as a representation of Epicurean Philosophy without any accompanying commentary.

Misleading Implications about Pleasure as Restraint

Frances Wright has Epicurus say...

Elayne

October 22, 2020 at 3:08 PM