

Bart Ehrman mentions Epicurus and the forged letters

Post by "Cassius" of April 29, 2023 at 1:20 PM

As you read the forum further you will see Don and I go back and forth on our views of that book. Both of us agree that DeWitt probably goes too far in the analogies that he draws, but depending on one's background one will find the book either super-interesting or unnecessarily speculative. It will be interesting to hear your thoughts as you read through it so if you have reactions worth posting, please do!

Here's a thread dedicated to that book, and this would probably be the best place for new discussions of it:

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[RE: DeWitt \(Norman\) - "St. Paul And Epicurus"](#)

Going through these Bible verses in St Paul and Epicurus reminds we why the book has good information, but is somewhat narrowly targeted to people who want to compare Epicurus to Christianity. Many of the cites in the table are to rather fine points of Christian theology. The ones I think are most useful are those where it seems clear that in complaining about "elements" and similar things, Paul is directly criticizing Epicurean philosophy. Those are worthwhile finding for future use.

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