

Episode 179 - "Epicurus And His Philosophy" Part 31

- Chapter 13 - The True Piety 02

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In the section of this podcast where Joshua cited John Tyndal's Belfast address, I drew attention to a question of whether John Tyndal was going further than Frances Wright in being willing to draw deductions about things beyond the senses from observations that the senses do allow us to make.

In editing that section it occurred to me to do a word search of "A Few Days In Athens" for "atoms," and the result surprised me. There is very little mention of atoms in AFDIA except brief mentions in Chapters 15 and 16. That to me would reinforce the question I was drawing out in the podcast - that the willingness to infer details beyond the physical evidence is an important topic in which the issues discussed by Epicurus and Philodemus in "On Signs / On Methods of Inference" present some pretty important questions for further thought. Something to come back to later.

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