

# Episode 184 - "Epicurus And His Philosophy" Part 36 - Chapter 14 - The New Virtues 07

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It today's episode we mentioned this from DeWitt p 316

*Along with caution and control goes the active hope of good things to come, as exemplified by the words of Cicero to the merry Epicurean Papirius Paetus: "You, however, as your philosophy teaches, will feel bound to hope for the best, contemplate the worst, and endure whatever shall come." footnote 94*

It would be necessary to check into the background of Papirius Paetus to assess how well known he was as an Epicurean. I see that the translation cited here does not translate "as your philosophy teaches" but "like the man of sense that you are."

[Perseus Under Philologic: Cic. Fam. 9.17.3](#)

Other references to Papirius: <https://www.attalus.org/names/p/paetus.html#11>

This is probably an example of how desirable it would be to mine Cicero's letters to his friends for references to Epicurean viewpoints.