

Epicurean Perspectives on Cultural Conflict

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The methodology we use is of the Epicurean Canon :

THE MIGRATION ISSUE (In the prism of the epicurean philosophy), by George Kaplanis, founding member of the Garden in Thessaloniki.

“Because, although as the land is divided, one has a homeland and the other has another one, but our whole world is enclosed in a perimeter, and so we all have a homeland, the whole Earth, and the world is our common home”.

("καθ' εκάστην μεν γαρ αποτομήν της γής άλλων άλλη πατρις εστιν κατά δε την όλην περιοχήν τούδε του κόσμου μία πάντων πατρις έστιν η πάσα γη και εις ο κόσμος οίκος"),

Diogenes of Oenoanda. Excerpt 30, column 2 - The precious stones of philosophy, Yannis Avramidis, Thyrathen Publications.

Philosophy is thought without limits. Ideologies and politics always set their own limits.

A. REPELLING THE BARRIERS

That is, to examine the Migration Issue without ideologies and politics harassing us.

That is, using the thinking method, the values and the ethics of our philosophy.

Not only because you lighten the case from a bunch of trash, but also because the manipulation of “mass” or “mob” - that is, all of us - is now done with the use of mathematical models in an **extremely** scientific way.

And this way includes both ideologies and politics. Thus, a person decides with free will that he will have a specific view on a matter. At the same time, other people also decide - each one individually, always with free will - that they will have the same view on the same matter. These all together are a percentage of the total, which is ultimately the percentage predicted by the manipulation model.

B. BE CAREFUL OF WHAT YOU STEP ON YOUR FIRST PACE

So, in order to be on the right track, you have to escape the manipulation.

And how does one escape from it? With knowledge. (I stole it from modern analysts who know the manipulation models). And this knowledge will lead you to a truth, that is, to reality.

So you get away with knowing in the first place, of what is true and what is lie, or what is real and what is fantastic.

“Only this is your sure and steady hope for the discovery of the truth, and there is no other. Your only hope is to judge and distinguish the lie from the truth... And if by chance you acquire such capability and skill, **then** you proceed to the control of what is being said. Otherwise, you have to know that nothing will prevent you to be dragged from your nose by anyone...” *

So you start, according to the epicurean philosophy.

C. THE FIELD

It will look strange to you, but right now I'm talking about the migration issue. That is **also** for us. Why the Epicurean method requires that we start from “**apeiria**”, the general, the undefined (*infinity is the indefinite* according to Anaximander). And we and the immigrants belong in this general. Immigrants do not just change only their own lives, they change ours too. So we both get into the frame. Diogenes of Oenoanda would mock me here. He has written that “the stranger is not a stranger”. I make this separation just do to determine the position they have in the field. **

Of course, very badly, I used the word “frame”. Because the frame requires an image, that is, something immobile. The best thing would be to use the word “**field**”, a field that can capture and include within it the events as they evolve, the field of action and the field of praxis. So the field will operate in the dimension of time, so we will move into the time, but it can also be expanded into the space, because from “us and them” I said above, if we take “us” and we continuously add other “us”, will emerge Greece, France, Germany, Europe and the whole Western world, except for Israel and Japan, for the time being.

But we also have those who emigrate. According to the Foreign Minister, on the Egyptian-Somali axis there are 150 million people under the age of twenty-five who live **without prospect**. He was talking about the near future and the risks of the area’s destabilization because of the islamists. Other date, like the ones we discussed online, report more than five billion people living below the poverty line. And they are candidates for immigration in the next decades.

In this point that they always tell me that I am a racist. Then, of course, I always complain to the UN. Because it never calls me to ask what I am and what I am not, to form the numbers accordingly. Of course, if changing my thoughts will make 2-3 billion people to become economically settled, then “*eateon*” bid it farewell according to Epicurus, that is to say that I could even become a Buddhist monk.

Quite simply, Epicurean philosophy asks us to count on phenomena, events, reality. And not in empty beliefs, that is, in words of air.

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