

Gaius Cassius Longinus' Political Actions

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I have become, lately, more interested in Gaius Cassius Longinus – particularly the relationship between his anti-totalitarian (anti-Caesarian) politics and his Epicurean philosophy. There seems to be some question as to how much his Epicureanism informed (or at least supported) his extreme actions in support of the Republic – as opposed to Julius Caesar's totalitarian quest.

An analogy that I thought of is Christian theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer's implication in the plot to assassinate Hitler (for which he died in a Nazi concentration camp).

Discussion?

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Do I need to say that I am not affirming political assassination as a moral choice? I am just asking the broader question ...

His main biography is here: [Gaius Cassius Longinus - Main Biography](#)