

# Jesus the Epicurean?!

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Just for clarity sake (and for later readers who may skim through this sometime in the future)...here is an excerpt from the Wikipedia article in post 2 above:

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The traditional view is that this word's derived from the Hebrew word for Nazareth (*Nazara*) that was used in ancient times.<sup>[12]</sup> *Nazareth*, in turn, may be derived from either *na·tsar*, נָצַר, meaning 'to watch',<sup>[13]</sup> or from *ne·tser*, נֶצֶר, meaning 'branch'.<sup>[14]</sup>

The common Greek structure *Iêsous o Nazoraios* (Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος) 'Jesus the Nazarene/of Nazareth' is traditionally considered as one of several [geographical names](#) in the New Testament such as *Loukios o Kurenaios* (Λούκιος ὁ Κυρηναῖος) 'Lucius the Cyrenian/[Lucius of Cyrene](#)', *Trofimos o Efesios* ('[Trophimus](#) the Ephesian', Τρόφιμος ὁ Ἐφέσιος), *Maria Magdalene* ('Mary the woman of Magdala'), *Saulos Tarseus* ('Saul the Tarsian'), or many classical examples such as [Athenagoras](#) the Athenian (Ἀθηναγόρας ὁ Ἀθηναῖος).

The Greek phrase usually translated as *Jesus of Nazareth* (*iêsous o nazōraios*) can be compared with three other places in the New Testament where the construction of *Nazareth* is used...