

Episode 245 - Cicero's OTNOTG 20 - Right, Wrong, Or Incomplete?

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Lucian's [A True Story](#)

Lucian's [Alexander the Oracle-Monger](#);

Quote

In this connexion, Alexander once made himself supremely ridiculous. Coming across Epicurus's *Accepted Maxims*, the most admirable of his books, as you know, with its terse presentment of his wise conclusions, he brought it into the middle of the market-place, there burned it on a fig-wood fire for the sins of its author, and cast its ashes into the sea. He issued an oracle on the occasion:

The dotard's maxims to the flames be given.

The fellow had no conception of the blessings conferred by that book upon its readers, of the peace, tranquillity, and independence of mind it produces, of the protection it gives against terrors, phantoms, and marvels, vain hopes and inordinate desires, of the judgement and candour that it fosters, or of its true purging of the spirit, not with torches and squills and such rubbish, but with right reason, truth, and frankness.

Discovery Institute, [Is Richard Dawkins a Raelian?](#)

[Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed](#)

Montesquieu; ["If the triangles were to make a god they would give him three sides"](#)