

# Discussion Plan For Chapter 09 "The New Physics" (Norman DeWitt's "Epicurus And His Philosophy")

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## [Quote from Cassius](#)

It must be observed that Epicurus makes no show of his logical procedures and, like the layman, employs the enthymeme or elliptical syllogism.

At Book 14, P.Herc. 1148 col. 9 (alt. col. 42), Epikouros uses the word "enthymematikous / ένθυμηματικούς" which LSJ defines as:

ένθυμη-ημᾶτικός, ή, όν,

*determined, resolute*, πρός τι H.P. *Decent.* 3.

2 *skilled in the use of enthymemes*, ARIST. *Rh.* 1354b22.

II *consisting of or in the form of enthymemes*, ρήτορειαί ib. 1356b21; θόρυβοι EPICUR. *Nat.* 14.9: Comp. -ώτερον, [σχήμα] CORN. *Rh.* p.397 H. Adv. -κώς ARIST. *Rh.* 1418b36, THEON *Prog.* 5, etc.