

# Episode 271 - TD01 - Understanding Epicurus Through Tusculan Disputations

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## [Quote from Cassius](#)

that he not only was of the same opinion with Pythagoras concerning the immortality of the soul,

I wanted to share this dialogue from Lucian's "Philosophies For Sale" (Loeb, Volume 2, page 452)

HERMES: The noblest of philosophies for sale, the most distinguished; who'll buy? Who wants to be more than man? Who wants to apprehend the music of the spheres and to be born again?

BUYER: For looks, he is not bad, but what does he know best ?

HERMES: Arithmetic, astronomy, charlatanry, geometry, music and quackery; you see in him a first-class soothsayer.

BUYER: May I question him?

HERMES: Yes, and good luck to you!