

Episode 273 - TD03 - Is The Soul Immortal And Death Actually A Good/

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[Quote from Don](#)

Agreed. That's why I content that the prolepsis of the gods does not cover their blessed and incorruptibility.

[Quote from Cassius](#)

Thanks for focusing again on the question of which aspects of knowledge of the gods constitute prolepsis and which constitute opinions arising from reasoning.

I'm with [Don](#) on this one. Prolepsis, as all Epicurean canonical faculties, is separated from reasoning. The way I see it, prolepsis is a pattern recognition. If I see enough cats in my life, I'll recognize the next one as a cat without thinking about it. If I lift enough cups of coffee in my life, I'll apply a perfect amount of force to lift the next cup of coffee without thinking about it. Epicureans believed that humans' minds are directly hit with the images of gods, so humans were able to develop prolepsis of gods.

The moment we think: 'Sphynx cats are furless', 'Led cups with coffee are heavy', '[Epicurean gods](#) are blessed' is when the reasoning kicks in. Canonical input data is being processed and opinions arise.