

Episode 255 - Cotta Argues That Epicurean Gods Are As Despicable As Are Epicureans Themselves - Cicero's OTNOTG 30

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Thread

[Sextus Empiricus](#)

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It looks like there is a possibility that Sextus Empiricus could be the possible source of the "Epicurean paradox" or "Epicurean dilemma". Doing a quick Google search you find it sometimes stated as some kind of fact that it was written by Epicurus. However, no extant writings of Epicurus contain this argument and it is possible that it has been misattributed to him.

"The "Epicurean paradox" is a version of the problem of evil. Lactantius attributes this trilemma to Epicurus in De Ira Dei:



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