

Why Epicurus Railed Against Atheists And Questioned Their Sanity

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In this subject I recalled that religion in ancient societies like the Greeks and Romans had religion DEEPLY intertwined with public life. Denying the gods was unthinkable and, in their view, dangerous as it invited retaliation from the gods. There might not have been a more antisocial attitude in Epicurus' time than denying the gods.

A little like, during the height of the McCarthy red scare in the United States, standing up and saying you're a communist. 😊