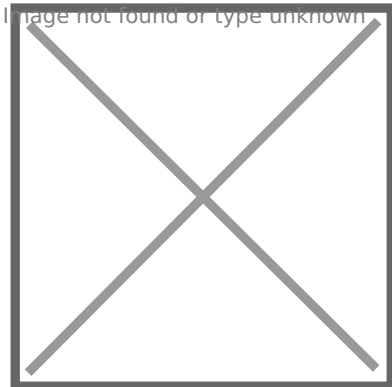


How can writing a will be justified in Epicureanism?

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Wanted to share a great article other users may like by Orestis Karatzoglou, he makes a particularly strong point how will writing is so easily justified by the main principles of Epicurean Friendship and allows to feel more secure, in other words showing to friends that we care enough about them that we will take efforts to care for them after we pass enhances the core trust that is required by friendship, the author explains the Epicureans saying "It is more pleasant to give than to receive". Society as well will also generally give us good will and esteem as well if we act in a way to ensure well being to future generations. In my view, this also explains caring for unborn and foreigners and can generally be put under Epicurean honor and philanthropy. Since this enhances the trust of friendship and our security to life's pleasure in society, so essential for a pleasant life.

Felt other might really like, a rather intelligent argument. The best I've come across. And easily refutes Warren and any questions (as i myself shamefully asked) about how Epicurean Diogenes of Oenoanda was.



[Can Epicurus Write a Will](#)

Cicero criticizes Epicurus for writing a will and thus acting inconsistently with one of the basic tenets of his theory, namely that death is not an evil (De...

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