

# Welcome Timrobbe!

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Hello,

My name is Tim. I am 42 years old, from the Netherlands, married, three children. Occupation: lawyer.

I have been reading philosophy and religious texts from the age of 12. Strangely enough, Epicurus did not get that much attention in the books and magazines I read. Socrates, Plato and Aristototele seemed (and seem) to be the “big three” in Greek philosophy. About two years ago I was really looking for guidance, and stumbled on the stoics: Seneca, Marcus and Epictetus. I found stoicism to be inspirational, but a little grimm. Seneca and Marcus refer to Epicurus occasionally, so I became curious. Then I found the book “how to be an Epicurean” (as a reply to: “How to be a Stoic”). The first things I read on Epicureanism made me wonder if it would be as inspirational as stoicism, but more realistic as for the role of human emotions and pleasure. It does. Through a Google search I found this website. And I am now reading De Witt’s “Epicurus and his philosophy”. So, I am new to Epicureanism but not a total novice on philosophy and religion (I already was an atheist and materialist by the way).

Looking forward to learning from you and your site. What I have read until now feels like coming home.

Kind regards.