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[Quote from Cassius](#)

1 - My how times have changed. There was a time when I was convinced that Don would never cite anything that DeWitt said about the christian analogy approvingly!



LOL! 😊 Well, if the DeWitticism fits...

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3 - Yes I started a wiki earlier but have not had time to expand it; I use it mainly for the Lucretius texts: <https://www.epicureanfriends.com/wiki>

Didn't realize that was out there. Have to dig around a little.

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5 - Wait - so WHAT is the root of evangelize? It is greek and not latin? And the greek does not have a religious connotation?

You bet! It's Greek: εὐ- "eu-" good as in euthanasia (good death), eulogy (good words), etc. + ἄγγελος "angelos" messenger as in "angel" (again, co-opted by the Christians). It literally just meant the bearer of good news (like victory in a battle) or to bring good news as a verb. The εὐ/eu- got the "ev" pronunciation instead of "you" pronunciation in the c. 1st-4th c. CE when the Christians would have been appropriating and coining terms.