

# Episode Twenty-Nine - The Earth As Allegorical Mother of All

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Just saw this article and seemed relevant here:

<https://getpocket.com/explore/item/a...than-christians>

The two parts that stuck out:

Quote

As it turns out, "American 'nones' are as religious as—or even more religious than—Christians in several European countries, including France, Germany, and the U.K."

And

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Consider the rise of "atheist churches," which cater to Americans who have lost faith in supernatural deities but still crave community, enjoy singing with others, and want to think deeply about morality. It's religion, minus all the God stuff. This is a phenomenon spreading across the country, from the Seattle Atheist Church to the North Texas Church of Freethought. The Oasis Network, which brings together non-believers to sing and learn every Sunday morning, has affiliates in nine U.S. cities.

It made me wonder: What differentiates an "atheist church" from an Epicurean "garden" if the church-goers don't accept any supernatural causes? What do "we" offer as a distinct philosophy to secular "nones"?

I have some ideas but I pose the question for discussion. I also thought our international friends might have thoughts.