

Episode 198 - Cicero's On Ends - Book Two - Part 07

Post by "Cassius" of October 18, 2023 at 7:48 PM

Welcome to Episode 198 of Lucretius Today. This is a podcast dedicated to the poet Lucretius, who wrote "On The Nature of Things," the only complete presentation of Epicurean philosophy left to us from the ancient world. Each week we walk you through the Epicurean texts, and we discuss how Epicurean philosophy can apply to you today. If you find the Epicurean worldview attractive, we invite you to join us in the study of Epicurus at EpicureanFriends.com, where you will find a discussion thread for each of our podcast episodes and many other topics.

This week we continue our discussion of Books One and Two of Cicero's On Ends, which are largely devoted to Epicurean Philosophy. "On Ends" contains important criticisms of Epicurus that have set the tone for standard analysis of his philosophy for the last 2000 years. Going through this book gives us the opportunity to review those attacks, take them apart, and respond to them as an ancient Epicurean might have done, and much more fully than Cicero allowed Torquatus, his Epicurean spokesman, to do.

Follow along with us here: [Cicero's On Ends - Complete Reid Edition](#)

We are using the Reid edition, so check any typos or other questions against the original PDF which can be found [here](#).

As we proceed we will keep track of Cicero's arguments and outline them here:

[Cicero's Objections to Epicurean Philosophy](#)

Last week we continued in Book 2 at Section IV and this week we will pick up at the same place.

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We may have a little "live-action" reporting in this episode. Martin will be calling in today live from the Gottingen Architectural Museum where he is visiting the artifacts relating to Epicurus. Anyone who is reading this shortly after I am posting it is welcome to post questions or picture requests to Martin! 😊

Post by “Joshua” of October 22, 2023 at 11:29 AM

Plutarch, *Moralia*, Adversus Colotes

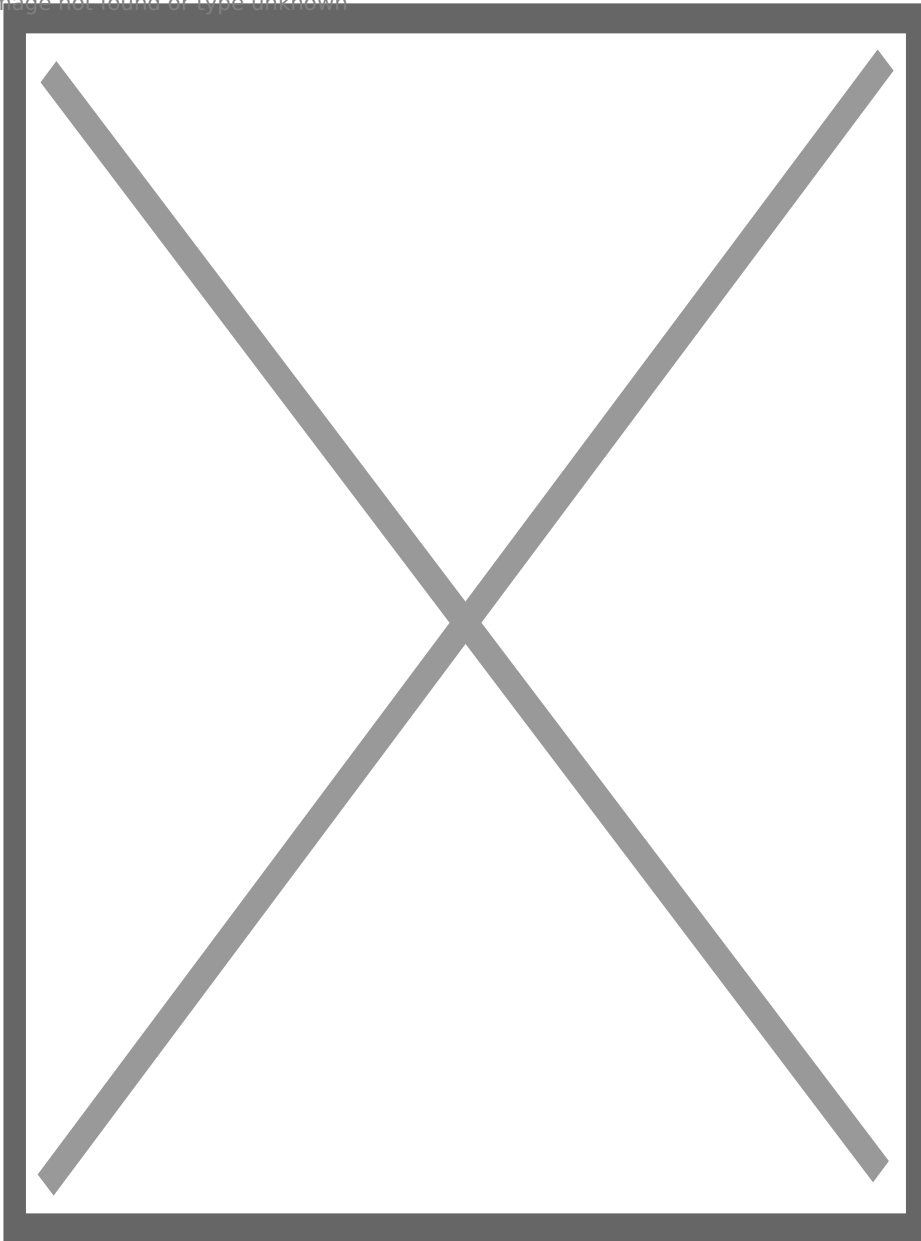
[Plutarch - Adversus Colotem](#)

Desiderius Erasmus, *The Epicure*

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Head of Aphrodite with Cross Incised on Forehead and Eyes Gouged Out

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[Persecution of pagans in the late Roman Empire - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org)
en.wikipedia.org

Matthew Stewart, *Nature's God*

Göttingen Archaeological Museum
[epicureanfriends.com/thread/3430/](https://www.epicureanfriends.com/thread/3430/)

Post by “Cassius” of October 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Episode 198 of Lucretius Today is Now Available! This week we return to our coverage of "On Ends" Book Two, and we summarize several aspects of where we are in the discussion.

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