## **Key Posting Policies**

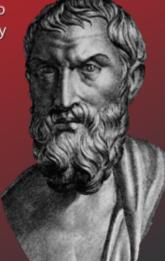
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"No Contemporary Politics," "No Supernatural Religion," and "No Absolute Virtue"

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#### 2. No Supernatural Religion

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#### 3. No Absolute Virtue

Epicurean philosophy rejects the existence of or absolute virtues or Platonic ideals of any kind. Argument which is based on claims of "absolute" virtues or ideals are improper for this forum and are subject to removal. While viewpoints on particular virtues and particular ideals are extremely important to our personal pleasure and happiness, those things will *differ* between people over time and location and

all sorts of circumstances. The overall goal of promoting Epicurean philosophy has to deal with this tension: We are (through Epicurean doctrines) encouraging everyone to understand and follow their feelings of pleasure, but at the same time we have to recognize that not everyone is going to have the same feelings about the same things, and that conflicts are going to arise between people under certain circumstances. If we allow the forum to be dominated by one moral or political viewpoint, then the project is jeopardized. The general promotion of Epicurean philosophy is more important to the mission than any day-to-day political position. Those who wish to pursue a special moral or political viewpoint may do so in their own circles.