

THE CONCEPT OF GOD IN GREEK PHILOSOPHY: SUGGESTED FURTHER READING

Good, accurate modern translations of texts we covered:

The Iliad of Homer: A Southern African Translation, translated by R. Whitaker, New Voices (2012)

The Odyssey of Homer: A Southern African Translation, translated by R. Whitaker, African Sun Press (2017)

Hesiod. Theogony, Works and Days, translated by D. Wender, Penguin Classics (1973)

Early Greek Philosophy, translated by J. Barnes, Penguin Classics (2002) [contains translations of the fragments of the main Presocratics]

Plato. The Last Days of Socrates, translated by C. Rowe, Penguin Classics (2010) [contains *Euthyphro*, *Apology*, *Crito*, *Phaedo*]

Plato. Republic, translated by C. Rowe, Penguin Classics (2012)

Plato. Timaeus and Critias, translated by D. Lee, revised by T. K. Johansen, Penguin Classics (2008)

Epicurus. The Art of Happiness, translated by J.K. Strodach, Penguin Classics (2013) [contains his key surviving writings, and some material from Lucretius and Diogenes Laertius]

The fragments of the early Stoics are not easily accessible in a single translation. I recommend reading book 7 of Diogenes Laertius which can be found in the Loeb Classical Library:

Diogenes Laertius. Lives of Eminent Philosophers vol. 2 Books 6-10, translated by R.D. Hicks, Harvard University Press (1925)

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Secondary reading:

Greek gods

Ahrens Dorf, P.J. *Homer on the Gods and Human Virtue. Creating the Foundations of Classical Civilization* Cambridge (2014)

Bremmer, J.N. *Greek Religion* Oxford (1999)

Lloyd-Jones, H. *The Justice of Zeus* Berkeley (1983)

Nilsson, M.P. *A History of Greek Religion* (transl. F.J. Fielden) Oxford (ed. 2, 1949) [esp. chap. 5 'The Homeric anthropomorphism and rationalism', pp. 136-179]

Sissa, G. & Detienne, M. *The Daily Life of the Greek Gods* (transl. J. Lloyd) Stanford (2000)

For a more advanced and stimulating series of investigations I recommend:

Versnel, H.S. *Coping with the Gods. Wayward Readings in Greek Theology* Leiden (2011)

Presocratics

Curd, P. et al. (edd.) *The Oxford Handbook of Presocratic Philosophy* Oxford (2011)

Long, A.A. (ed.) *The Cambridge Companion to Early Greek Philosophy* Cambridge (1999)

Naddaf, G. *The Greek Concept of Nature* Albany (2005)

Osborne, C. *Presocratic Philosophy: a Very Short Introduction* Oxford (2004)

Socrates and Plato

Annas, J. *Plato: a Very Short Introduction* Oxford (2003)

Benson, H.H. (ed.) *A Companion to Plato* Oxford (2006)

McPheran, M. *The Religion of Socrates* University Park, PA (1996)

Epicureans and Stoics

Inwood, B. (ed.) *The Cambridge Companion to the Stoics* Cambridge (2003)

O'Keefe, T. *Epicureanism* Berkeley (2010)

Wilson, C. *Epicureanism: a Very Short Introduction* Oxford (2015)