

RESOLUTION

Whereas wise Thespion, on this issue,
doing what he was able to, to show the Greek Apollonius
what he could of the reverence of the ancients, even to worship
for the others in the animal kingdom,
and that surely it was not for him to disabuse some
of their thoughts, belief, when after-all
a Maker is in everything He makes;
and seeing futility as the new man, the Greek,
idle now his Pythagoras, repeated curses of stupid animals,
dumb beasts; sighs chest-tight following.
And whereas in such detractions old Eleusinian, Dionysian
and other cults and mysteries will stay and stand question.
And that even those who learn their whole lives and become wise,
their carried faults shine, and pride tosses within.
And further, since both, neither trying to convince nor deceive,
but tender true as they understand it were.
Be it hereby resolved that what a man makes has to be fallible.
If not, do they not mar lies upon themselves?

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I note here with no too little reservation, the likeness for me, of the same old defacements
some Euros' have wintered to fly the false notion of nothing of worth in the higher realms
of human endeavours coming, ever came out of Africa, in the new (2005, 2012) translator
of the Loeb Philostratus (Elder) *Apollonius of Tyana* who in his dismissive introduction
outright slanders the Gymnosophists of Ethiopia as "petty and pretentious," 'perfect
counterpoint to the Wise men of India.' It has, for me, the familiar carried to the absurd
allusion of greed-stricken prefabricators sent on their never royal way assisted by smiling,
waving, playful under rod, scope, desert and barrel Africans.