

PHILOSOPHY IN ANCIENT EGYPT



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Ancient Egyptian Philosophy

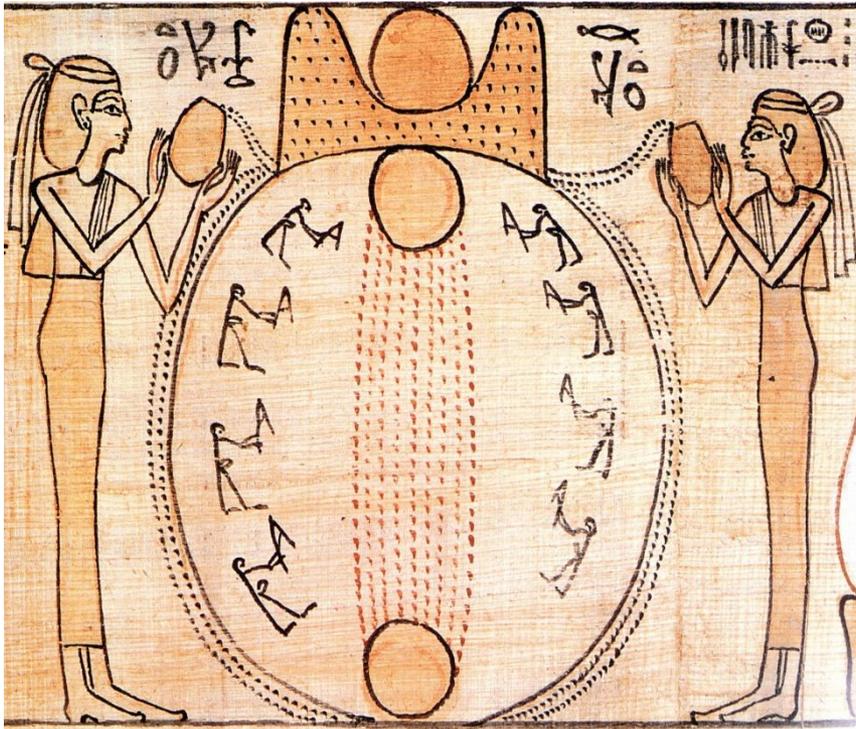


- Ancient Egyptian society treated men and women equally. Women participated in the political, economic, and judicial world of ancient Egypt on the same terms as men. This social system reflects Egyptian mythology, where Goddesses played an equal, if not a chief, role. The primeval mother-figures in the earliest prehistoric Egyptian myths are female.

Egyptian Philosophical Texts



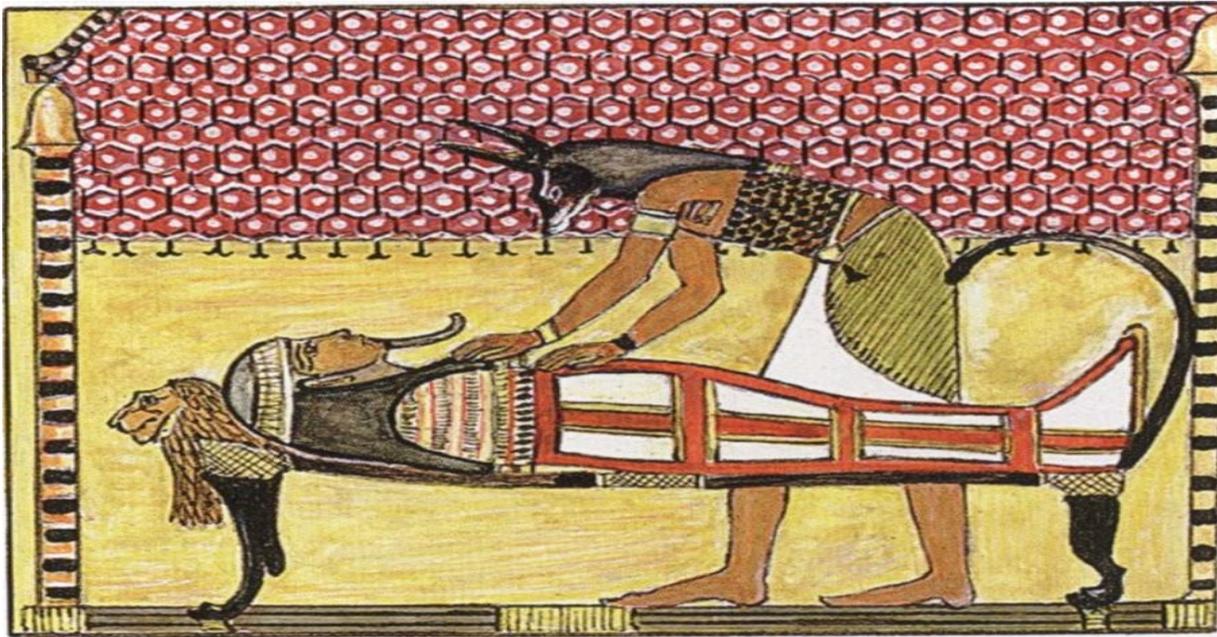
Egyptian Creation Texts



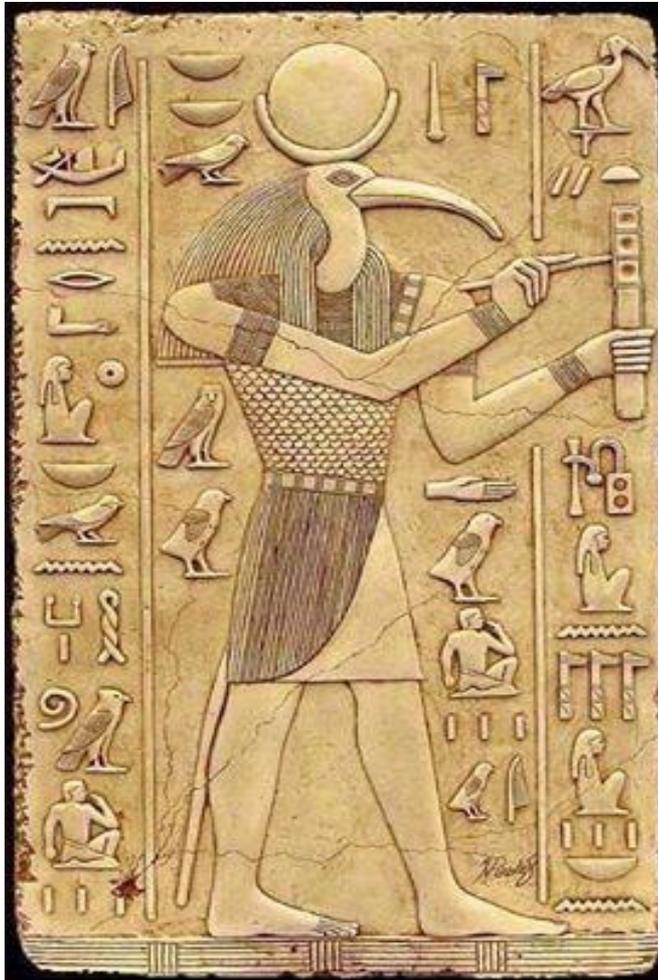
- Egyptian creation texts repeatedly stress the belief of creation by the Word. When nothing existed except the One, he created the universe with his commanding voice. The Egyptian Book of the Coming Forth by Light (wrongly and commonly translated as the Book of the Dead), the oldest written text in the world, supports this theory.

Attributes of Egyptian Philosophies

- The three main attributes that all Egyptian philosophy share are flexibility, pragmatics, and attention to emotion. It is difficult to separate Egyptian philosophical ideas from religion. Maat stood at the center of all Egyptian life, including both Egyptian philosophy and religion. Maat itself was a goddess and in some periods had a temple.



Thank you for your attention!



Silence is of great profit.
An abundance of speech
profiteth nothing.

If one comes to thee
full of knowledge, listen
and heed, for wisdom is
all. Keep thou not silent
when evil is spoken for
Truth like the sunlight
shines above all.

The Emerald Tablets of Thoth