

Utility and meaning of Philosophy for Greek Philosophers

QUESTION No. 1 (115 words)

Greek philosophers went along difficult path, instead of just talking. Besides thinking, like Parmenides, they attached importance to empirical knowledge, rooted in observation and experience.

Moreover, Greeks were mainly extroverts, exhibiting significant social, economic, and political influence. For example, Thales would earn a lot by cornering the market. Similarly, Socrates would create devout students and had influence in toppling governments. Plato, although he attached special importance to epistemology, wrote significantly regarding political philosophy, like ideal state and nature and destiny of man. These philosophers were cognizant that philosophy encompassed more than epistemology. It involved audacious attempt to delve into every domain of inquiry and accumulate knowledge for making a link and enlighten human character and life.