Twitter Thread by Wight ("Gregory")



Wight ("Gregory")
@bottlewight

Thinking about how the modernist religious response to accusations that religion = magic was to say "nuh uh, it's, uh, philosophy." This was not a good move, because the heart of "religion" is exorcistic alchemy (or alchemical exorcism if you prefer a different emphasis).

I do not think you need systematic theology in order to engage in the practice of transforming your black, iron heart into radiant gold, and there is actually some danger that it will get in the way.

Nietzsche was, I think, correct that the "rationalizing," "systematizing," element of Greek thought helped to produce the implosion of Christendom.

Metaphysics, cosmology, etc... So much fluff the moment they are no longer tethered to the purpose of casting out the demons and healing the sick.