



THE ATHENS GREEK RELIGION SEMINAR, Tuesday, December 12, 2023

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Pagans and Christians Out and About After Hours

ABSTRACT

It seems that most people in the Graeco-Roman world did not avoid going out at night, the streets were not empty after dark, and the night was not a time for inactivity and silence in antiquity. Pagans were out and about at night and Christians invited them to get even more active in the service of their God. A great percentage of significant Christian action took place during the night. Early Christians did not regard the daytime as sufficient enough for their venerating needs. For them the night was ideal for even more instruction, for even more prayer, for even more miracles, prophetic visions and dreams. Expanding Christian time was a desideratum and nocturnal activities became almost normative with the advent of Christianity. .

The seminar takes place **Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 17.00 (Athens)** with live presence at the Swedish Institute and online via Zoom.

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