Hesiod, Cosmogony, and Cupid-Apollo-Daphne in *Metamorphoses* Book 1 April 12, 2018 - CAMWS Annual Meeting - Albuquerque, NM Brett L. Stine - Texas Tech University - Brett.L.Stine@ttu.edu

1) Theogony 116-28 Translation:1

ήτοι μὲν πρώτιστα <u>Χάος</u> γένετ'· αύτὰρ ἔπειτα Γαῖ΄ εύρύστερνος, πάντων ἔδος άσφαλὲς αίεὶ άθανάτων οι έχουσι κάρη νιφόεντος Όλύμπου, [Τάρταρά τ' ήερόεντα μυχῶ χθονὸς εύρυοδείης,]

120 ήδ' "Ερος, ὄς κάλλιστος έν άθανάτοισι θεοῖσι, δάμναται εν στήθεσσι νόον καὶ έπί φρονα βουλήν. έκ Χάεος δ' Έρεβός τε μέλαινά τε Νύξ έγένοντο Νυκτὸς δ΄ αὖτ΄ <u>Αίθήρ</u> τε καὶ Ἡμέρη έξεγένοντο,

125 ούς τέκε κυσαμένη Έρέβει φιλότητι μιγεῖσα. Γαῖα δέ τοι πρῶτον μὲν έγείνατο ἶσον ἑωυτῆ Ούρανὸν άστερόενθ΄, ἵνα μιν περὶ πᾶσαν έέργοι, ὄφρ' εἵη μακάρεσσι θεοῖς ἔδος άσφαλὲς αίεί.

Then first Chaos came to be; then next Gaia, broad-breasted, the always unslipping seat of all the immortals, who hold the head of snowy Olympus, and murky Tartarus in the depths of broad-pathed earth and Eros who [is] most beautiful, among the immortal gods, λυσιμελής, πάντων τε θεῶν πάντων, τ' άνθρώπων limb-loosening, [who] subdues the mind and prudent council of all gods and men. From Chaos came to be Erebos and Swarthy Night. And further from Night Aëther and Day came to be,

whom [she] bore, impregnated, having mingled in love with Erebos. And Gaia first brought into being an equal to herself starry Uranus, in order to cover her on every side, [and] so as to be always an unslipping seat for the blessed gods

2) Metamorphoses 1.5-9, 15-25

5 ante mare et terras et, quod tegit Omnia, caelum unus erat toto naturae vultus in orbe, quem dixere Chaos, rudis indigestaque moles nec quicquam nisi pondus iners congestaque eodem non bene iunctarum discordia semina rerum

before sea and earth, and which covers everything, heaven, one face existed in the whole orb of nature, which they call Chaos, a mass unformed and without order, which [was] nothing except artless weight and similarly heaped-up discordant seeds of things poorly joined.

15 utque erat et tellus illic et pontus et aër, sic erat instabilis tellus, innabilis unda, lucis egens aër: nulli sua forma manebat, obstabatque aliis aliud, quia corpore in uno frigida pugnabant calidis, umentia siccis,

20 mollia cum duris, sine pondere habentia pondus. hanc deus et melior litem natura diremita; nam caelo terras et terries abscidit undas et liquidum spisso secrevit ab aëre caelum; quae postquam evolvit caecoque exemit acervo.

25 dissociata locis concordi pace ligavit.

thus was earth there and the sea and lower air. and so the earth was tottering, the wave unswimmable, lower air lacked light: their own form was maintained for none. each was opposing the other, because in one body cold was fighting with hot, the wet with dry, the soft with hard, the weighty with the weightless. a god and better nature resolved this dispute; for the [he] the earth from heaven and the waves from earth cut off and severed bright heaven from the thick aër; when these he unrolled and released from the dark mass. [he] bound up the things discordant in their positions with the peace of unity.

3) Metamorphoses 1.76-88

deerat adhuc et quod dominari in cetera posset: natus homo est, sive hunc divino semine fecit ille opifex rerum, mundi melioris origo,

80 sive recens tellus seductaque nuper ab alto aethere cognate retinebat semina caeli; quam satus Iapeto mixtam pluvialibus undis finxit in effigiem moderantum cuncta deorum, pronaque cum spectent animalia cetera terram,

85 os homini sublime dedit caelumque videre iussit et erectos ad sidera tollere vultus. sic, modo quae fuerat rudis et sine imagine, tellus induit ignotas hominum conversa figuras.

sanctius his animal mentisque capacius altae an animal more sacred than these, and more fitting of a high mind was missing up to now and able to rule among the rest: man is born, whom that craftsman of things made either from a divine seed, the beginning of a better universe, or was earth, fresh and recently lead off from the high air, holding the seeds of heaven, [her] kinsman; [Earth] whom mixed with the rainy waves, the race of Iapetus fashioned wholly in the likeness of the commanding gods, and while the rest of the animals look down at the earth, [he] gives the face of man a lofty direction and bids them to look at heaven and to lift [their] faces upright to the stars. thus, unformed and without likeness, the earth, transformed, put on the unknown shapes of men.

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¹ All translations are my own.

4) Metamorphoses 1.90-91, 113-15, 125-9

90 Aurae prima sata est aetas, quae vindice nullo, sponte sua, sine lege fidem rectumque colebat.

postquam Saturno tenebrosa in Tartara misso sub Iove mundus erat, subiit argentea proles, 115 auro deterior, fulvo pretiosior aere.

125 tertia post illam successit aenea proles, saevior ingeniis et ad horrida promptior arma, non scelerata tamen; de duro est ultima ferro. protinus inrupit venae peioris in aevum omne nefas, fugere pudor verumque fidesque;

5) Metamorphoses 1.101-2, 109-10

101 ipsa quoque inmunis rastroque intacta ne ullis saucia vomeribus per se dabat omnia tellus,

mox etiam fruges tellus inarata ferebat 110 nec renovates ager gravidis canebat aristis:

6) *Metamorphoses* 1.156-62

obruta mole sua cum corpora dira iacerent, perfusam multo natorum sanguine terram inmaduisse ferunt calidumque animasse cruorem et, ne nulla suae stirpis monimenta manerent,

160 infaciem vertisse hominum. sed et illa propago contemptrix superum saevaeque avidissima caedis et violenta fuit: scires e sanguine natos.

First the golden age was produced, which with no defender from its own free will was cultivating honesty and uprightness apart from law.

Next, when Saturn had been sent into gloomy Tartarus the world was under Jove, a silver race sprung up, worse than gold, [but] more valuable than tawny bronze.

a third age succeeded that one a bronze race, harsher in its temperament and more inclined toward savage arms, not wicked however; the last [age] is from hard iron. constantly every abomination burst from the vein in this age more evil, modesty and truth and honesty have fled.

> Also free and untouched by the hoe and not wounded by any plows, the earth herself was giving everything through herself.

Though un-ploughed, still the earth was bearing fruits and, though not renewed, the fields were white with swollen beards of grain.

When their hard bodies had been cast down buried by the mass, flooded with so much blood of her offspring, they made earth to drip and to enliven the heat of the gore and, so that a monument of their own stock remains to turn [them] into the shape of humans. But even that race is a despiser of the gods and most greedy for harsh slaughter and violent: You would know they were born from blood.

7) *Metamorphoses* 1.130-43

130 in quorum subiere locum fraudesque dolique insidiaeque et vis et amor sceleratus habendi. vela debat ventis nec adhuc bene noverat illos navita, quaque diu steterant in montibus altis, fluctibus ignotis insultavere carinae,

135 communemque prius ceu lumina solis et auras cautus humum longo signavit limite mensor. nec tantum segetes alimentaque debita dives poscebatur humus, sed itum est in viscera terrae, quasque recondiderat Stygiisque admoverat umbris,

140 effodiuntur opes, inritamenta malorum; iamque nocens ferrum ferroque nocentius aurum prodierat: prodit bellum, quod pugnat utroque, sanguineaque manu crepitantia concutit arma.

in the place of which deceits and tricks came in and ambushes and force and wicked desire for possession. the sailor was giving his sails to the winds that, as of yet, [he] doesn't know well, and keels which day by day had stood on the high mountains, have bound upon unknown waves, and first shared just as the light of the son and breezes, the surveyor, cautious, marks out the land with a long border. not only was the rich land asked for wheat and the nourishment owed, but a path is in the bowls of the earth, wealth, which [she] buried and brought into the Stygian shadows, is dug out, as provocations for evils: and now harmful iron and gold, more harmful than iron, has come forth: war comes forth, which fights with both, and shakes [his] clattering arms with a bloody hand.

8) Metamorphoses 1.438-40

Illa quidem nollet, sed te quoque, maxime Python, that one [Earth] though unwilling, but also you, great Python, tum genuit, populisque novis, incognite serpens,

440 terror eras: tantum spatii de monte tenebas.

she then bore, unknown Snake, and for the new people, fear was present: so much space you were holding

9) Metamorphoses 1.452-3

452 Primus Amor Phoebi Daphne Peneia: quem non fors ignara dedit, sed saeva Cupidinis ira.

The first love of Phoebus [was] Daphne, Daughter of Peneus, Whom unwitting chance didn't hand over, but the harsh anger of Cupid.

10) Theogony 120-22

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and Eros who [is] most beautiful, among the immortal gods. λυσιμελής, πάντων τε θεῶν πάντων, τ΄ άνθρώπων limb-loosening, [who] subdues the mind and prudent council in the breasts of all gods and men.

11) Works and Days 11-19

ούκ ἄρα μοῦνον ἔην έρίδων γένος, άλλ' έπὶ γαῖαν είσὶ δύω· τὴν μέν κεν έπαινήσειε νοήσας, ή δ΄ έπιμωμητή· διὰ δ΄ ἄνδιχα θυμὸν ἔχουσιν. ή μὲν γὰρ πόλεμόν τε κακὸν καὶ δῆριν όφέλλει, 15 σχετλίη· οὔ τις τήν νε φιλεῖ βροτός, άλλ' ὑπ'άνάγκης άθανάτων βουλῆσιν ἔριν τιμῶσι βαρεῖαν. την δ΄ ετέρην προτέρην μεν έγείνατο νύξ έρεβεννή, θῆκε δέ μιν κρονίδης ὑψίζυγος, αίθέρι ναίων, γαίης [τ'] έν ρίζησι καὶ άνδράσι πολλὸν άμείνω·

Not then one kind exists of strife, but upon the earth two exist. The one, when [a man] has understood it, praises it But the other is blameworthy. [They] hold the thumos completely apart. For the one breeds wicked war and battle, unrelenting. No single mortal loves her, but by necessity they honor heavy strife by the will of the immortals. And the other one first gloomy Night brought into being And the high-throned Son of Kronos, dwelling in aëther, established her in the roots of the earth even [as] much better for men.

12) Metamorphoses 1.468-73

eque sagittifera prompsit duo tela pharetra diversorum operum: fugat hoc, facit illud amorem; 470 quod facit, auratum est et cuspide fulget acuta, quod fugat, obtusum est et habet sub harudine plumbum hoc deus in nympha Peneide fixit, at illo laesit Apollineas taiecta per ossa medullas:

And he produced from his quiver two shafts of differing functions: that one flees, this one makes love the one making is gold-laden and flashes with a sharp tip, the one fleeing is blunt and has lead beneath the rod this one the god fixed in the nymph, the daughter of Peneus and with that one he wounded Apollo's very marrow, having pierced [his] bones all the way through

13) Theogony 304-5, 313, and 327-30

304 ή δ΄ ἔρυτ΄ είν Άρίμοισιν ὑπὸ χθόνα λυγρὴ "Εχιδνα άθάνατος νύμφη καὶ άγήραος, ήματα πάντα.

313 τὸ τρίτον Ύδρην αὖτις έγέινατο λυγρὰ ίδυῖαν

Λερναίην, ήν θρέψε θεὰ λευκώλενος ήρη ΥΗ δ΄ ἄρα Φῖκ'όλοὴν τέκε Καδμείοισιν ὅλεθρον "Ορθώ ὑποδμηθεῖσα Νεμειαῖόν τε λέοντα,

τόν ρ΄ ήρη θρέψασα Διὸς κυρδρή παράκοιτις 330 γουνοῖσιν κατένασσε Νεμείης, πῆμ' άνθρώποις.

and she guards in Arima beneath the earth, baneful Echidna the nymph immortal and unaging, throughout all [her] days.

then third [she] brought into being the Hydra, baneful of mind, Lernian, whom the white-armed goddess Hera reared

and she bore the deadly Sphynx, a ruin to the Cadmeians,² when she was subdued by Orthos, and the Nemeian Lion, whom then Hera, the illustrious wife of Zeus, reared [and] settled in the high planes of Nemeia, a misery for men.

14) Metamorphoses 1.502-3

502 siqua latent, meliora putat. Fugit ocior aura Illa levi neque ad haec revocantis verba resistit:

If anything was covered, he imagined [it] better. She flees more swiftly than a light wind and does not halt at the words of the one calling.

² Thebes

15) *Metamorphoses* 1.525-30

525 plura locuturum timido Peneia cursu fugit cumque ipso verba inperfecta reliquit, tum quoque visa decens; nudabant corpora venti, obviague adversas vibrabant falmina vestes, and et levis inpulsos retro dabat aura capillos, 530 auctaque forma fuga est.

16) Metamorphoses 1.483-4

illa velut crimen taedas exosa iugales 484 pulchra verecundo subfuderat ora rubore

17) Metamorhposes 1.490-96

490 Phoebus amat visaeque cupit conubia Daphnes, quodque cupit, sperat, suaque illum oracula fallunt; utque leves stipulae demptis adolentur artistis, ut facibus saepes ardent, quas forte viator vel nimis admovit vel iam sub luce reliquit, 495 sic deus in flammas abiit, sic pectore toto uritur et sterilem sperando nutrit amorem.

the daughter of Peneus, on a timid course, fled [him] about to speak many things and abandoned the words unfinished with him, still then she seemed elegent; the winds exposed her body, cross-winds shook her clothes back and forth the opposite way and a light breeze was giving her hair pushed back and as her beauty fled, it grew.

> that one, hating the marriage torches like a crime, filled her beautiful face with shameful blushing

Phoebus loves and desires marriage³ to Daphne when she's seen, whatever he desired, he hopes, and his own oracles deceive him and as when light stems burn when the beards are removed as hedges burn by torches, which by chance a traveller either moved too much or abandoned when beneath light, thus the god changes into flames, thus with his whole heart he burns and feeds vain love with hopeful expectation.

18) Metamorphoses 1.474-82, 488-9

protinus alter amat, fugit altera nomen amantis 475 silvarum latebris captivarumque ferarum exuviis gaudens innuptaeque aemula Phoebes; vitta coercebat positos sine lege capillos. multi illam petiere, illa aversata petentes inpatiens expersque viri nemora avia lustrat 480 nec, quid Hymen, quid Amor, quid sint conubia, curat. Saepe pater dixit 'generum mihi, filia, debes',

Saepe pater dixit 'debes mihi, nata, nepotes':

488 ille quidem obsequitur; sed te decor iste, quod optas. esse vetat, votoque tuo tua forma repugnant.

immediately one loved, the other fled the name of love to the caves of the woods and delighting in the hides of captured beasts and [as] a rival of the virgin Phoebus;4 [her] band constrains her hair placed without law. Many sought after that one, [but] she turned from those seeking apathetic, and free from a man she traversed un-trodden woods And didn't care about any Hymen or Amor or marriages. often her father said "you owe a son in law to me, daughter", often her father said, "you owe grandchildren to me, child."

> he indeed yields; but that adornment forbids you to be what you prefer; your beauty opposes your wish.

19) *Metamorphoses* 1.543-548

viribus absumptis expalluit illa citaeque victa labore fugae 'Tellus,' ait, 'hisce vel istam, 544a [victa labore fugae, spectans Peneidas undas] quae facit ut laedar, mutando perde figuram! qua nimium placui, mutando perde figuram!' 547a [qua nimium placui, Tellus, ait, hisce vel istam]⁵ vix prece finite torpor gravis occupat artus:

that one turned pale with her strength being taken and overcome by the toil of flight she said "Earth, open up willingly for that one, [overcome by the toil of flight, looking on Peneus' waves,] destroy the beauty, which make it so that fer, pater,' inquit 'opem, si flumina numen habetis! I am hurt, by changing it!" "Bring aid, Father, "she said, "if you have power over your streams! As far as I have pleased you greatly, ruin my beauty by changing it! [as far as I have pleased you greatly, Earth," she said, "open up willingly."] With her prayer hardly finished, heavy numbness seizes her limbs:

³ Anderson (1997, 194) proposes it just be understood as "sex".

⁴ Diana

⁵ Murgia (1984) understands this textual problem differently

20) Lykophron Scholia 6.20-24

20 Λάδων ὁ έν Άρκαδία ποταμὸς τῆ Γῆ συγγενόμενος έγέννησε παῖδα όνόματι Δάφνην πάνυ ὼραίαν τῷ εἴδει. ταύτης έρασθεὶς Άπόλλων έδίωκεν αύτήν. ἡ δὲ συλλαμβάνεσθαι μέλλουσα ηὕξατο τῆ μητρῖ αὐτῆς Γῆ, ἡ δὲ χανοῦσα ὑπεδέξατο αὐτήν.

Ladon, a river in Arcadia, coming together with Gaia bore a child by the name Daphne, entirely mature in form. Apollo, filled with desire for her, chased her. And she, about to be taken, was praying to her mother, Earth, who opened up and received her.

Occurences of amor in Met. 1.452-567	
1.452	Primus <u>Amor</u> Phoebi Daphne Peneia:
1.461	tu face nescio quos esto contentus <u>amores</u>
	inritare tua nec laudes adsere nostras.
1.469	eque sagittifera prompsit duo tela pharetera
	diversorum operum: fugat hoc, facit illud amorem;
1.474 (x2)	protinus alter <u>amat</u> , fugit altera nomen <u>amantis</u>
	silvarum latebris captivarumque ferarum
	exuviis gaudens innuptaeque aemula Phoebes;
1.480	multi illam petiere, illa aversata petentes
	inpatiens expersque viri nemora avia lustrat
	nec, quid Hymen, quid <u>Amor</u> , quid sint conubia, curat.
1.490	Phoebus <u>amat</u> visaeque cupit conubia Daphnes,
	quodque cupit, sperat, suaque illum oracula fallunt;
1.496	sic deus in flammas abiit, sic petore toto
	uritur et sterilem sperando nutrit <u>amorem</u> .
1.532	auctaque forma fuga est. sed enim non sustinet ultra
	perdere blanditias iuvenis deus, utque monebat
	ipse <u>amor</u> , admisso sequitur vistigia passu.
1.540	qui tamen insequitur, pennis adiutis <u>amoris</u>
	ocior est requiemque negat tergoque fugacis
	inminet et crinem sparsum cervicibus adflat.
1.553	hanc quoque Phoebus <u>amat</u> postaque in stipite dextra
	sentit adhuc trepidare novo sub cortice pectus
	complexusque suis ramos, ut membra, lacertis
	oscula dat lingo: refugit tamen oscula lignum.

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