

Thinking About Epicurean Viewpoints Such As The Eternal / Infinite Universe, And How To Discuss Them

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My position is this...pleasure is the goal. Happiness is the goal.

Knowledge of the natural world simply dispels fears arising from ignorance and of supernaturalism, so that a person can live a life that is unperturbed by turbulent thoughts.

The infinitude of the universe, whether there are theoretical bubble multiverses, expanding and contracting models or whatever is actually out there, is ultimately not critical to my personal pleasure here on Earth. ***The specifics of it anyway.***

It may be incredibly poignant information from a scientific perspective, but from my Epicurean perspective, I only want to know that I need not fear supernaturalism and divine retribution and that the sun will not be extinguished if I don't perform certain prayers and sacrifices.

Scientific views of the universe evolve and have been evolving for hundreds of years. They will certainly evolve again as new things are discovered.

But as an Epicurean I only want to know enough to get the gist that the universe operates in a certain way , and that I need not be worried about speculative aspects of it.