

Letter to Menoikeus translation by Peter Saint-Andre

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Epicurus does seem to use the standard philosophical ἄπειρος whenever he wants to talk about the unlimited (see KD 20, for example), so while I think it's definitely true that Epicurus wants to correct the misunderstanding that Epicureans pursue unlimited pleasure, like Don, I'm inclined to render that specific passage without appeal to the unlimited. I find the idea that it concerns sloth appealing because that does seem like a proper contrast to profligacy, though I admit I had never read the passage that way myself.