

Episode Seventy-One - The Formation Of the World (Our Part of the Universe)

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I'll have to dig up a citation later, but Lucretius does indicate that the swerve (clinamen) is foundational to cosmology. This is the troubling bit about the "original" motion of the atoms as falling like rain through the void. The swerve comes in because a uniform and parallel "falling" of atoms at a constant rate of motion would preclude these atoms ever commingling. An indeterminate swerve is essential in order to get them bouncing off each other.

I haven't listened yet, you might have covered that already!

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Quote

Here's a note I am making while editing this week's podcast.

Well...I clearly cannot have listened yet! 😊