

# Episode Thirty-Three - More on The Implications of the Colorless Atoms

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## [Quote from Godfrey](#)

Maybe this is too simplistic, but [Don](#) in #11 you asked a question because you were feeling unease (pain) regarding an idea. By asking the question you were able to gather more data, and based on that data and the background activity of your prolepses you were able to "assuage your pain." That, in a nutshell, is one example of how I understand the process of the Canon to work.

[Godfrey](#) , that actually helps a lot. I don't think that's simplistic at all. It's a simple explanation, and those are sometimes the best. You're talking about using pain as a goad to resolve the uneasiness makes sense.

I think my initial reaction to the idea of feelings as a criteria of truth was when people don't take that second step. They use pain to stop looking and use the pain itself to say this is true. "I don't like this thing/fact/event, therefore I will reject it" I'm thinking flat-earthers for example. I could use others but I'm trying not to get political. The Earth not being flat is demonstrably false if you look at additional evidence from science and the extension of our senses. But the idea of a round Earth is "painful" for them so they reject it. This is the kind of thing where I don't think feelings alone can be a criteria, BUT you work all three legs of the Canon and then you can reliably construct a mental picture of reality.

Am I making any sense or talking in circles? This thread has been very helpful, so thank you both for taking the time to respond!