

People want to know how and why, but did they try to ask themselves why they react this or the other way on what is happening? You want to be heard, you want to feel 'home', you don't want to disappear, you want to be in balance with yourself and with what you do.

How it is possible, that for so many people it appears as only one urge and reason "to be here and now", reason that makes us present? We try to be loud and we try to find something outside ourselves that we can relate to. We say things we don't believe in, we apply autopilot; we follow the rules we learned so well during the everyday experiences. It changes the perception of our reality faster than we notice it.

What if we try to see more in what we have, in order to not bother with all the demands that are constantly attacking us, saying – you should improve more. No, people learn paths of everyday life and by coherence to it they treat each other's mood, character, empathy, they invent rules and they invent more – they invent a frame for their own attention in order to not be, but just cohere their presence towards that frame. If something does not fit the framework because of its size, content, timing or direction of the path, by the norm of our society it doesn't exist for the world (passive ignorance) or it becomes the "enemy". As always something we don't know can bring fear with the "aftereffect" of attack as one of our reactions, which have become the norm as well.

People want to know how. They learn to see the reason in the outside world. When we start to raise the question "why?" there is latency in delivering the answer. Actually rising the question is already doing a good job. It's just that the receiver is not yet born, and probably will have our answers for completely different questions.

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