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use different types of

feelings, ask, "What concerns the pain?" or

"How has this been

"Why do you think you

"What have you tried to

these choices

suggest

a symptom

of serious disease

particularly if

chronic, ask "What did you do before

your life? your parent?

your intimate relationships?

The way you feel about

yourself is almost gone,

how specifically can I help you now?

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