#### **DON'T FORGET YOUR PAST** 5 WAYS OLD EMOTIONS DICTATE NEW DECISIONS

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Is my emotional past affecting my emotional present?

We all have emotional baggage. Your emotions are essential to your existence. So we accept it & embrace it.

# **EMOTIONS EXIST TO MOVE & PROTECT US**

Emotions involve movement towards good & away from bad. Brains can override an emotion when necessary.

# **EMOTIONS AREN'T ALWAYS ACCURATE**

The emotion is real, but might not be accurate for the situation.

# THE FOUR EMOTIONAL TRIGGERS

"Am I Loveable, Am I Capable, Do I Belong, Am I Safe" You can go back & pinpoint when was the first memory you had of that specific trigger.

#### YESTERDAYS EMOTIONAL SCRIPTS DRIVE TODAY'S EMOTIONAL REACTIONS

Once our brains have made a certain number of scripts it just uses the same ones over & over despite the situation.

#### UNCOVER HOW YOU COMPENSATE FOR PAST Emotional pains

Be careful that your compensation doesn't become a guiding principle of your life.

reflections:

Is my emotional past affecting my emotional present?

How are my emotions trying to move & protect me?

Are my emotions accurate according to the situation?

Which of the four triggers am I most affected by?

What is my earliest memory of that trigger?

What scripts from the past are driving my emotional reactions?

How am I compensating from past triggers?

How can I be more aware in the present & respond appropriately to my emotions?