This week is all about values - what they are, why they're important and how to make space for them in your life.

After watching this week's video, work through the exercises and questions on the following pages. Feel free to work in a journal or on the worksheets.

Remember, when we talk about values, we're talking about:

- principles or standards of behaviour
- how we judge what's important in our life
- reference points of what is right, good and important
- factors that influence our attitudes, behaviours, choices and priorities

VALUES CARD EXERCISE

- 1. Download and print the values cards on the following pages, and cut them into individual cards.
- 2. Working through each value one at a time, ask yourself how important or unimportant it is to you. Imagine placing them along a spectrum of importance:

Not at all important Neutral Most important

- 3. Once complete, discard everything that rates lower than an 8.
- 4. Work through the remaining cards, removing those that:
 - feel like an expectation or obligation
 - represent a solution to a problem
 - are a tool used to serve your values rather than a value themselves.
- 5. Group similar values together and choose one word to represent them.
- 6. Work through the remaining cards and place along the spectrum again.
- 7. Once complete, choose the top 3-6 values. These are your core values.
- 8. Spend time reflecting, taking note of any that don't feel quite right.
- 9. Create or find an image, poem or object that represents these values.
- 10. Keep it close to hand. This is your values touchstone.

ACCEPTANCE

to be accepted as I am

ACHIEVEMENT

to have important accomplishments

ADVENTURE

to have new and exciting experiences

BEAUTY

to appreciate beauty around me

CHALLENGE

to take on difficult tasks and problems

COMPASSION

to feel and act on concern for others

CONNECTION

to have close, supportive relationships with others

CONTRIBUTION

to make a lasting impact on the world

CONSISTENCY

to have dependability in choices and actions

COURAGE

to have strength and bravery in the face of adversity

CREATIVITY

to have new and original ideas

DIGNITY

to be worthy of honour and respect

ENCOURAGEMENT

to provide support, confidence and hope to others

EXCITEMENT

to have a life full of thrills and stimulation

FAITH

to live according to my spiritual or religious beliefs

FAMILY

to have a happy, loving family

FREEDOM

to act or change without constraint

FLEXIBILITY

to adjust to new circumstances easily

FRIENDSHIP

to have close, supportive friends

FULFILMENT

to have or create contentment and satisfaction

FUN

to play and have fun

GENEROSITY

to give what I have

GRATITUDE

to readily show thanks and appreciation for life

GROWTH

to keep changing and growing

HAPPINESS

to have a sense of well-being, joy or contentment

HEALTH

to be physically well and healthy

HOME

to find or create a place in the world where I feel seen and known

HONESTY

to be honest and truthful

HOPE

to maintain a positive and optimistic outlook

HUMILITY

to be modest and unassuming

HUMOUR

to see the humorous side of myself and the world

INDEPENDENCE

to be free from dependence on others

INNER PEACE

to experience personal tranquility and acceptance

INNER STRENGTH

to be resolute in my will and to have self-belief

INTEGRITY

to be honest and have strong moral principles

INTIMACY

to share my innermost experiences with others

JOY

to seek out and experience great pleasure and happiness

JUSTICE

to promote fair and equal treatment for all

LEADERSHIP

to help people develop themselves and reach their fullest potential

LEARNING

to acquire knowledge or skills through study, experience or being taught

LOVE

to give love to others and be loved by those close to me

LOYALTY

to be loyal and true in relationships

NATURE

to hold the natural world as precious and important

NON-CONFORMITY

to question and challenge authority and norms

NURTURE

to take care of and nurture others

OPENNESS

to be open to new people, ideas and opinions

ORDER

to have a life that is well-ordered and organised

PASSION

to have deep feelings about ideas, activities, or people

PATIENCE

to accept problems, suffering or delays without complaint

PLEASURE

to feel good

PEACE

to develop tranquility and harmony in yourself and others

POWER

to have control over others

PRESENCE

to live conscious and mindful of the present moment

PURPOSE

to have meaning and direction in my life

RATIONALITY

to be guided by reason and logic

RESPECT

to earn or give admiration based on abilities, qualities or achievements

RESPONSIBILITY

to make and carry out responsible decisions

RISK

to take risks and chances

ROMANCE

to have intense, exciting love in my life

SAFETY

to be safe and secure

SELF-ACCEPTANCE

to accept myself as I am

SELF-RESPECT

to have pride and confidence in myself

SENSUALITY

to fulfill the senses and enjoy the expression or pursuit of pleasure

SERVICE

to be of service to others

SEXUALITY

to have an active and satisfying sex life

SIMPLICITY

to live life simply, with minimal needs

SOLITUDE

to have time and space apart from others

SPIRITUALITY

to grow and mature spiritually

STABILITY

to have a life that stays fairly consistent

SUPPORT

to give assistance to others, in material ways

SUSTAINABILITY

to live in a way that doesn't deplete natural resources for future generations

TRUST

to be reliable and truthful

TRADITION

to follow respected patterns of the past

WEALTH

to have plenty of money

WINNING

to be victorious in whatever pursuits I find myself in

WISDOM

to have experience, knowledge and good judgement

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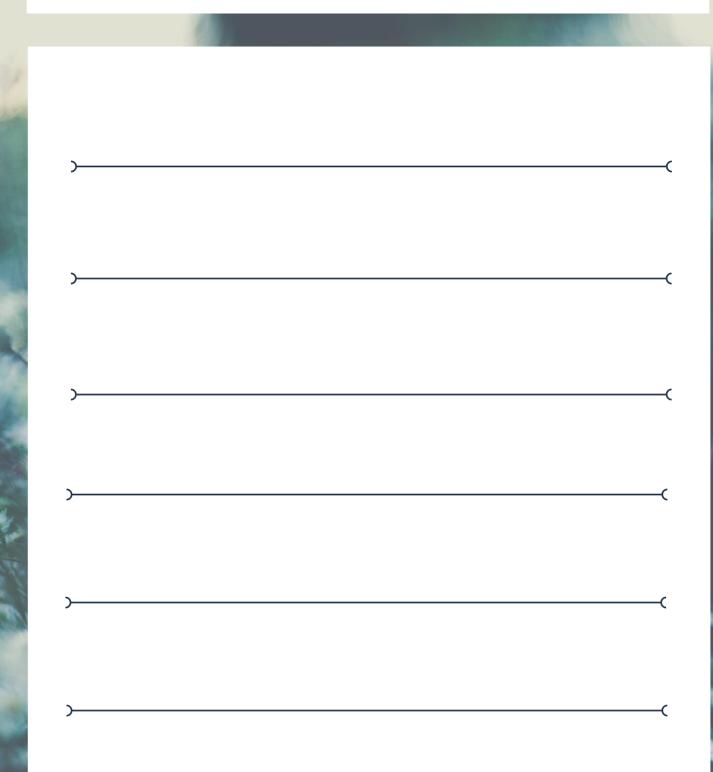
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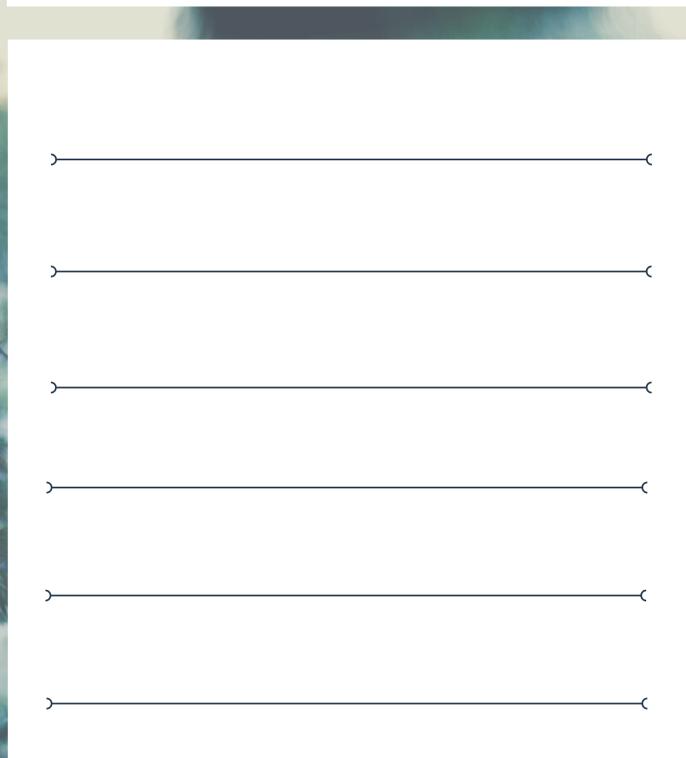
My values and their definitions:

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In my life right now, they look like:



Realistic ways to live my values:



VALUES: DAILY OBSERVATION

When did I act in accordance with my values today?

And how did I feel?

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