**This week’s exercise :** Complete the PVQ (attached)

**Noticing Exercise:** Whenever you think of it, periodically pause and ask yourself the following question:

*Am I living life on purpose, in this moment?*

If the answer is yes, you might ask – *What is the purpose I am serving right now?*
If the answer is no, you might ask – *If I was free to choose, what purpose would I serve right now?*

As you do this, keep in mind that what’s most important is **asking the question, not getting the answer**. I think the poet Rainer Maria Rilke spoke best to this when he said:

* *“have patience with everything unresolved in your heart and to try to love the questions themselves as if they were locked rooms or books written in a very foreign language.… And the point is, to live everything. Live the questions now. Perhaps then, someday far in the future, you will gradually, without even noticing it, live your way into the answer.” (From Letters to a Young Poet).*

So, go out and ask good questions.

Asking these questions are simply a way to expand on the toward/away question we have been asking you throughout the course. Another way to do this is to pause and simply notice where you are on the matrix below and where you’d want to be. Are you moving toward a value right now or away from (or struggling with) suffering? You might also notice your five senses experience or are you in your mental (mind/body) experience?

Feel free to make notes below on what you notice as you live this week.

5 senses experience

Mental Experience

Values

Suffering

**This week’s daily reflection: Putting values into play**

**Beginning of the Day**

**On this day, what value would you like to put into play?**

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**What concrete action(s) would you like to take to put the value into play today?**

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**What thoughts and feelings come to mind that might seem like barriers to this action?**

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Are you willing to make room for the thoughts and feelings that show up as a result of moving toward this value?

**If yes**  Go forward with your journey today and experience it!

**If no** Go back, choose a different valued action, and repeat this exercise.

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| **End-of-the-Day Rating** |
| Each day, rate how consistently your actions lined up with your valued direction: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Not at all | A little bit | Moderately so | Quite a bit | Very much so |
| **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** | **Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** |
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