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00:00 I experienced a lot of um upheaval in relationships in my life when I stopped drinking alcohol they weren't sure what to expect of me um they weren't just what to say to me like I made a lot of people uncomfortable because I just up and quit drinking alcohol and for the most part that makes people uncomfortable because they're like what's wrong with alcohol is something wrong with me because I drink alcohol and they're not ready to look at that question um simply because I stopped drinking alcohol that poses the

00:32 question and then they're uncomfortable about the entire thing um and so I lost a lot of relationships through that time but as we know when we're evolving and it's good to shed relationships that are no longer serving us welcome to the deeper awareness podcast where we delve into the depths of our inner selves uncovering authenticity and transformation Jo join us for enlightening conversations on

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01:10 Hannah Oxley let's begin but yeah I know Alysa cuz I I'm pretty sure my memory serves me like like the first time we did that first little bit of facilitation like I think we were in a breakout room together yeah I think it was you and Brony like in um wow in the for yeah okay like what and we were in the same pod too so yeah we yeah we definitely you're up there and like the people that I remember the most from the whole experience yeah it was quite the experience yeah do you have a new tattoo is that

01:56 new um it's actually not new um I I've had it since 2021 um I'm going to get a new tattoo this Saturday adding on to this one so that's kind of funny oh see my int my intuition there yes I like a tattoo but I don't know where I want to put it so I still just have yet to do anything many options so many body parts so many body parts and did you know where you choose to get your first tatto or any tattoo has like relevance into your whole life story really yes I didn't know it um so right here and it turns out

02:43 forearm um tattoos are a big [ \_\_ ] you to whoever was really like messing with your

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where I got that tattoo and that this signifies my freedom from alcohol and yoga being my new thing to do instead of alcohol so it's funny I love that that's so good more just you know body wisdom so Alyssa this was like three weeks ago I O anyway I had a breath work session where I was being facilitated and at the end this

03:28 like download this it was like a vision of kind of sorts and I saw a tattoo on the inside of my forearm and it said mine in in like cursive and since then there's been like so much meaning to to what that means and but it feels like it's a big [\_\_] you for to Mormonism ISM and to society that this this is my body this is my story these are my needs this is my voice there's so much mine that's been take taken away taken away that I'm reclaiming and so I love that that you shared that about the

04:21 because it feels like that's where my first one will be and it and when you were like that means it's a big [\_\_] you and I was like yeah I love that yeah you did bring I remember you saying that that was my time and he off too but I think that was like a month or so ago okay yeah yeah I love that idea mine I love the reminder I think that's a big thing if we're getting

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you look down so I'm curious Alyssa have you been a

05:07 guest on a other podcast um yes I was actually a guest last week in a podcast that's in a Summit um and so it was cool to do them back to back but I'm more nervous today because I don't know what we're going to talk about and I don't like know what value to bring yeah I love that because um Hanny did you know I was on her podcast no so that was do you remember when it was I'm not going to guess probably like March April okay it was a while ago so that was that was before Hannah and I had even

05:46 started like she and I were having conversations but it wasn't we weren't recording it was just like these are really good we maybe record them and then so I was curious your experience because we we keep hearing people well so part of the deeper awareness is just really being reflective on what's coming up for you here and how is it different than when you're a host and when you're interviewing and then so that was interesting to me just to hear that it's like well I don't know what value I need

06:22 to bring like there's some value you need to bring yeah I mean everybody's time

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should learn something and that's I've been really aware of that recently with our podcast it's like what can we do to make this valuable for our audience yeah it's kind of been weighing me down though so I I have a thought yeah and this is just me so we had Meg Adams on I don't know if you know her so she was on and afterwards she was

07:08 having all the you know all the thoughts of like I hope I hope that was what you needed or what you wanted out of the podcast and so I reflected on that and realized that this conversation is actually what I'm doing this for that it's the connection and it's the introspection the it's the new awareness it's the diving in yeah it it's it's this and then it doesn't feel selfish but it's very me focused and connecting with you focused too so it feels both and then we just happen to record

07:53 it and we happen happen to upload it that's like the cherry on top and so I love that um reflecting on some of our interviews we've done where we've had two people that are just kind of on talking Josh included and then we've had two authors that are on talking about their book launch or maybe three authors my favorite are just the

well that was also so I I don't want to make too long of a story but I worked on a farm this past summer

08:36 and it was amazing and I think I might have mentioned that in Wild Souls I can't remember if we talked about that because I've been so busy since then but um when I was working there there's this you know we're out in the fields but there's a wash station and the girl in the wash station she would listen to these podcast so loud and I would from the field I'd be like wow someone's talking so loud but it was just this podcast she listen to and so every time I'd bring some veggies in I'd say you

09:04 know what like what podcast is this and she's like oh it's just girls on tangents I'm like well what do they talk about and she's like really nothing and so I would listen a little bit I'm like oh these girls are literally just complaining about things in the world and it did not resonate with me whatsoever but I was like they have a huge audience I looked into it I'm like people just listen to these the thoughts of these girls and so even that we had already talked about starting our

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put themselves out there and this there's just so the long story short is for me it's authenticity like just I think people just really resonate with authenticity and something that they can relate to so that's what puts my mind at ease cuz I have those same thoughts of like like what value are we bringing like should there be a theme every time and all this stuff and it's like I think

10:14 it's just being us and that permissioning to other people to be themselves too I think for me that's what I what's my intention of this is just to permission other people to just be themselves and to put things out there that don't that aren't perfect because that's what I love about creating this specifically is we just put it out there we just wanted to start somewhere and do it it's not yeah it is what it is and it's us and yeah whatever it will turn into it will be and I love

10:53 that I think so many people are missing Connection in their lives that when they feel like they can be a part of a conversation just by listening to it that it feels good for them so that's a great reminder yeah thank you guys and even the imperfections when people show up imperfect that it puts people at ease like I went to a

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don't want to say didn't do a good job but she was nervous and she stopped a lot and I couldn't really follow her

11:33 and I know her fairly well and so afterward she was like that was so awful I can't believe I'm like it was good though because people everybody didn't mind they knew it was your first time and it's just it g it might just give someone permission and be like well she did it and it wasn't perfect I'm going to start something and do it even though it's not perfect and you have to start somewhere so I just love that permission slip yeah no agenda gender lessness is our main goal here because we all know

12:02 how to do that welcome to Today's Show um Hannah do you want to introduce Alyssa to our audience yes I would love to so today we have Alyssa Hutchinson did I say that correctly yeah sometimes I like over annunciate over annunciate my name and say Hutchinson actually that didn't sound as bad as yours did we have I say it different every time what um what ethnicity is that or what the heritage of Hutchinson I think it's probably just European somebody's a son of some Hutch I don't know some woodworker

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12.30 Hutches un but year so today we have a list um I think you're the first from my cohort we've had so many of Josh's cohort such a lovely group of people but I'm so thrilled to have um a familiar face to me um Alyssa was not only in my cohort but in our pods when we break up into the little groups for our program we were in a nice intimate group we had a lovely mentor and our weekly I remember being surprised that um Tanya our Mentor said that not everyone was showing up in other people's pods all

13:33 the time but so she was very happy that we would always show up all of us it was such a great po that we had so um it's just so nice to I'm like really so excited to have you here today thank you and catch up because I want to know what you're up to so if you'd like to just introduce yourself of how you like the world to know what you're up to and who you are um so I'm a trauma-informed somatic healing coach so I've done the pause coaching program as well as the breath work program um and then I've

14:10 Incorporated breath work and raiki and intentional micro doing and Quantum healing hypnosis into my containers um so l'm just a really l'm a lifelong learner so

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comes to me is Cornucopia of things and they all I'm sure work in harmony so well together I think so yeah I just just added Quantum healing hypnosis and I haven't been able to do a full session I tried to do it on my husband and he would not go under so

14:51 II haven't done it yet that's so fascinating I'd love to learn more about that because I just facilitated some breath work last week and there was a husband in the group and he was like did you hypnotize that I'm like no but maybe I will learn and so I can do that so tell us a little bit about what that entails as you I know you're learning it right now and probably practicing but tell us about that well I'd love to share that when you facilitate breath work you do um guide them into shifting Altered States

15:27 Of Consciousness and their brain waves do change going from the normal um beta brain waves which is daily life B brain waves to Alpha which is light hypnosis and that happens in breath work sessions and that happens with hypnosis sessions but in Quantum healing hypnosis we go into the Theta brain waves so that's deep level hypnosis and then after that it's Delta so those are your sleeping brain

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the breath work um but

15:59 wanted to learn more about it because I did have clients that were going into past lives in breath work and in coaching sessions and I didn't know how to help them and so I was really curious about that aspect as well as the the hypnosis that's that we're doing um just my voice in general as well as like the the whole process of relaxing them and altering their brain waves was just really fascinating to me so what what did that look like when they were experiencing past lives like how what like so much curiosity here so

16:39 what yeah so one of them was in a breath work session it was a meditative breath work so I didn't know about it until the end and she told me that she um appeared in a past life she was like in a field and she felt the emotions that she had felt in that past life she felt like anxious and worried and her daughter was there and they were scared they must have been running from something or or had some sort of really unfavorable life and she was just working through all of that and I didn't know until the end and then I was like

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בוזב ו וובבט נט טט טבנמטזב that's new information for me and then the other one was in a coaching session so there was back and forth conversation so we were able to um I was able to ask questions and make sure the feelings were felt and ask her if there's anything else she'd like to change or or what does that look like but now knowing the training I have now I think we wouldn't have necessarily needed to change anything just really get the

17:43 emotions out um get the story out and with the training from Quantum hypnosis what's it called Quantum healing yeah Quantum healing hypnosis um I actually can give suggestions so that they don't have to feel overwhelming levels of the emotions and the trauma and everything that's present so that's kind of cool to have that information I've been I've done a past life regression once and I had the hardest time um trusting that it wasn't my imagination yeah and I so I couldn't really go that deep because I was like

18:26 did I just make that up there's no way I was a fighter pilot or wherever I went I was like that really and so I remember being like okay how do I know if this is real so do you have you ever come up

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not real because they're just making it up or this or that but like how could you have made up that story you know where did that information come from or where did like the images and all of that stuff come

18:55 from like you pulled it up out of out of your superconscious out of this part of you that's been with you this whole time so it's really fascinating it is so fascinating yeah one of them I popped into it was like I don't know how old it was but I remember like I had just very simple everything was just simple that was like the theme like I just had a simple task every day and there was a lot of like Cobblestone and I just was like can I can I go back there seems like a nice life but you know just that

19:31 little Glimpse I'm sure it was know not that easy but yeah so that is really so fascinating yeah I'm curious if yours was the quantum healing hypnosis technique yeah I don't know exactly it was just called a past life regression okay so this technique is a little different so we do do the past life but what is more important about this session is connecting with um what Dolores Canon calls the SC the self the subconscious is what

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this part of

20:04 you again like I said that's been with you this whole time and you can ask this part of you any questions that you need answers to and I as the facilitator can have a back and forth dialogue with this part of you and then this part of you can also do healing on your body if there's specific illnesses you have or if you want to do a body scan and just let it let it see what's going on it can do that too and I think that part is really fascinating and that's why I chose this um this modality over just

20:34 regular hypnosis well I'm up for if you need a practice I'm happy to yeah so dolores's training was originally not to be done online but there's um a lot of drama going on behind the scenes right now and Dolores died in 2014 but she's communicating from Beyond the Grave so I'm not sure if I'll be doing online sessions maybe maybe not um I think with the trauma informed training and the fact that I can track your nervous system and all that I think I would be better prepared than just somebody who's not able to do

21:14 that but there's a lot that could happen in session yeah besides just losing tech

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I'm interested about that too what did you learn that before after breath work um I started right after breath work it was like a 12 reek course and I wrapped up just as I was graduating from coaching so I

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wrapped up just as I was graduating from coaching so I emerged um from 20120 with coaching bre and micro doing wow yeah and that I'm assuming has to also be in

person I can do that online oh

21:55 interesting and what type of what are are we micro doing I work with siloc cbin so magic mushrooms well I was just telling Josh I spontaneously took some yesterday and how because it was spontaneous it was in a like I it was it was very great experience we had a lot of fun together um but there's always that like I want to be in a like a circle and you know have instruments and music and um I said music and instruments but you know art and painting and everything so yeah so I have this like urge to do more than just

22:36 kind of hang out yeah mushrooms can be so magical which is funny I just magic mushrooms duh um but really it's a sacred plant medicine so it does a lot of work with you but not for you and so sometimes it can be uncomfortable um and micro doing means taking taking a

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taken anything um other than maybe feeling creativity or love but you could also feel anxious or fearful if that's what you need to look at in order to get over

23:17 something so I use intentional micro doing in combination with the breath work and the coaching so that it's like this full support um when they're going through that because intentional need means they're working on something they have a goal in mind that they're using the medicine to assist with and so then the coaching means we can get in there and we can really uncover those layers and pull back and see what we needs to be felt and acknowledged and released and then the breath work is just a

23:45 beautiful way to continue to release but not have to like worry or or talk or all of that like just easy that is so juicy yeah that how long is a session for the micro doing and the so are you talking like weeks or hours hours so you if it's online do you mail it like how does this you mail it out I don't provide I don't provide the medicine um that's psybin is illegal so um if you want to take cybin um that would definitely be on I'm trying to word this so that I don't sound

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24.44 Slippery Slupe years SUIL is illegal but inside my container I have resources um but I don't personally provide the medicine um and then it's just it can be part part of my coaching packages so I have a package that's four sessions so that could be like a month or you could meet I would say not bi-weekly with micro doing because you really need everything's happening so fast that we wouldn't want to meet each other every two weeks like that's not going to be very helpful um and it would just be а

25:19 session where we talk about dose and ritual and protocol and all that and we dive into the body to find that information I don't tell you which dose to use you tell me based on your body um and then we create a plan the medicine comes we connect with the medicine and the spirit of the medicine and um just really allow it to begin to work and then we can do the coaching and then we can do the breath work so it can be different sessions it's not all in one day um I also have a program that's called

25:55 Quantum Evolution which is three sessions a week where we meet um it was supposed to run a couple times but I moved and so now it's just kind of hanging out

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love that offering yeah so before so you have all of these beautiful modalities that people are so in need of um and you must have at one point decided I need to help people in this whole new way and on your own terms kind of thing um so when did you kind of

26:42 discover that your life needed a shift from you know we always we just see this pattern with everybody in this healing space of we're living this life of you know going through the motions on the hamster wheel and then suddenly something happens and you like wake up to be like okay I need to do something I need to Pivot and so tell us about what that was for you so I would say it all really started in 2020 um I was working at a brewery and my entire life was consumed with alcohol and I guess working there was

27:19 just like a bonus it was a perk because I also had a different job too and a family and just lots of responsibility um and when my birthday came around in September of 2020 all I got for my birthday were alcohol rated presents so I had at least a dozen bottles of wine that were gifted to me and I literally cried when my parents gave me seven bottles of wine one for every day of

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thing and I got um this beer server

27:54 thing and this thing and some wine glasses and this thing and I'm and I got home at the end of the week and I'm like looking at my presents like it makes me sense so pretentious but everything I got was related to alcohol and I'm like is this all I am is this all people see me as and I was really a turning point for me um so I began to question my relationship with alcohol but it took um a few months three months until I decided to pick up the alcohol experiment which is from Annie Grace and it's a 30-day experiment

28:30 where you just don't drink alcohol for 30 days and every day you learn uh something new in each chapter science behind why you drink and what happens when you stop drinking and that both completely changed my life and at the end of the 30 days there's an opportunity to U drink alcohol or to not drink alcohol and just continue on that experiment um but the the experiment at the end is to drink alcohol with no distraction so no TV no people no books and you're supposed to film it just you and alcohol and you're

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because it's not the alcohol that we really want it's the connection that alcohol usually thinks that we get so like you go out to a game and you think that you're going to have fun if you drink alcohol or you go to a party you think you're going to have fun because you have alcohol but you're having fun at all those things anyways even without alcohol um so experienced that too like

29:39 I've gone because my boyfriend doesn't drink and so I always applaud him for all of that and we'll go somewhere and so sometimes I'm like I'm just you know what he has he's always having fun like why do I feel like I need to have a drink so every once in a while I'll I'll you know it's the word I'm looking for yes obstain and so I noticed that you get like that high of just being with people like in without the alcohol with it it's like it's a pure enjoyment and what you are

30:12 talking about with that connection that's it's it's there without having the need so I love that I love that approach I'm really curious how that book came into your life like I have never heard of that and I think it's it's such a it sounds so amazing was is there a story around how that book showed up for you um I found it on Reddit so there were a couple

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annonymous all these different channels I had join to just try

30:53 to um figure out what it was I was supposed to be doing like was alcohol in my life for a reason no like why would it why would it be there um but it was it was a long period of me questioning my relationship and so exploring different podcasts or channels on Reddit and that was one of the recommendations was um alcohol experiment and her other book is called this naked mind I read that one too it was really great really great information about um alcohol and I think the biggest takeaway for me is when you first drink that

31:33 first glass of wine or beer or whatever it is and you maybe crave that feeling the rest of the night you will never get back to that feeling because when you drink the first drink your body dumps um chemical compounds to counter react the alcohol that you just put in your system and it actually brings you down to a lower Point than you were before you drank the alcohol so then you drink another glass and you get another dump of your body's counter whatever chemicals and boom you're even lower and lower and lower until the end of the

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that's why I heard someone say once that's why they call it Spirits it's taking away your spirit yes so we're going to talk about this on our podcast this week but the I think the reason it's called spirits is because there are a lot of entities that will hang out in bars that are driving you to continue to drink because they want to partake um because you are so it's like they're living vicariously

32:40 through you um and so it's yeah that that relationship that you create with the negative spirits around you yeah I and I love your story of because you know sadly so many people experience something horrible and that's when they have to quit alcohol and but yours came that's like just a nice soft gentle reminder of wait I need to relook I need to you know observe from a different perspective so I like that story thank you um my family actually thought maybe I'd gotten a DUI because I just stopped

33:22 drinking alcohol like I had to have gotten in trouble in order to to stop like it didn't make any sense to them um so then in 2022 it was very surface level like I want to be my best self like it was just not and and it's a stepping stone but looking back it's like kind of funny to laugh at to be cringe

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was in June of 2021 that I did a group um any coaching and we do dove into my enag number and at lunchtime well all of our

34:04 anagram numbers and and all of that but then at lunchtime she had us sit alone and come up with a time that our life changed that what was the moment in your life that it changed forever and that's like why you're the anagram number that you are and then she wanted us to come back to the circle and tell everybody our vulnerable story and Trauma bond in this circle of people um and I refused to tell my story and so I had just opened this box like Josh and I have talked about this before I opened this

34:37 box uncovering something I didn't know was there and didn't release the energy because I'm a private person and people would know who I'm talking about in my story because we were in a group that I knew well um and I just walked around like that for like the next six months almost just really feeling messed up about that group session um but I it drove me to continue to drive deeper and what is out there and what am I missing and then that's when I kind of found pause and the coaching and the breath work

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JJ. 12 to put all these pieces together and we talk a lot about like because so many people when they start doing inner work it is it's trying to get to that high of my best self all of those things but and it's that shadow it's that depth that is so important but also terrifying yes and Pa is so good at taking you to your depths so that you can Ascend definitely 2021 I was like I want to ascend I want to be I just want to grow but yeah you have to ground into your body and even go further and look at those The Depths

and the Shadows

35:51 before you can ever really fully understand what it's like to up level yeah the first time time I heard the word term spiritual bypassing I was like oh [ \_ ] that is so me that's important so I'm I'm curious on that group were they intentionally trauma bonding or are you putting that word after the fact that's what happened um everybody was telling their stories we were all feeling their feelings with and for them creating the connection the relationship it was it was a team building activity

36:31 for the employer I worked for sounds appropriate doesn't it so um yeah I'm putting that trauma bonding in in what happened there because I am upset about the

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yeah not a very trauma formed approach to trauma bonding yeah and and that's that's the thing is that not everybody is trained in trauma informed care and it's so important to stand up for yourself and what's right for you and yourself and you don't have to take on anybody else's

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37:15 stories and you don't have to bond with other people over their history if you're not ready to do so you don't have to hold space for other people if you are not ready to do so like that it's just is pretty icky so for the listeners that don't maybe don't understand trauma informed or trauma bonding would you be okay just kind of sharing your understanding your experience with both yeah so we'll just start with trauma bonding because we've been talking about that a little bit so

37:50 for me that means bonding over everybody's traumas uh I think there can be a couple different meanings because you can look at um somebody who's held in captivity could be trauma bonding with their cap or um you know just a a a codependent relationship where they're always bonding over maybe their continued traumas or their past traumas but in the case that I'm talking

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we're all feeling it we're all

38:21 hearing it we're all holding space for each other and then just going around the room and and then at the end of the day there was no closure whether or not I released my story or not there was still no closure the box was opened and all of that was let out um anybody want to add anything on trauma bonding I was just GNA what we were just talking about with Spirits it's like the same thing of like I'm doing this and I need other people to be doing this stuff with me so it's like that same realm of like what

38:52 is it misery loves company kind of thing yeah well and I thought about the girl gossiping podcast that's bonding as well that we're bonding with that that feeling that feels so familiar but there's like no movement there's no inward expiration where we get to bring it up in a safe way and let it move through us and I because that reminds me too of going through the pause program and when Sam would talk about like she's like no more gossiping and so I'm like well I don't really gossip that much and so but

39:34 in that reflection I'd hang out with some friends that I've been friends with

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some sort of chemical that that feels good because you are bonding with them over someone else's pain or whatever it is that you're talking about and so that was a huge shift for me when it's like you know there's more to life and when you release that need to you know gossip or trauma bond with other people it's

40:08 there's just so much more depth that's in a different direction yes I love those explanations so can you take us through like because Retreats often look like that that team building activity that you described the intention may be to bring people together and to have them bring their stuff up so can you just kind of guide us through what would trauma informed look like in that scenario so for me um it really comes back to that pacing and that titration throughout the entire Journey so pacing like pace yourself when you're running a

40:51 mile you don't just come out sprinting at least I don't I can hardly even run a whole mile so maybe you're walking maybe you're jogging maybe you're doing a little running um and then titration which is the opposite of trauma trauma being too much too soon too fast and maybe

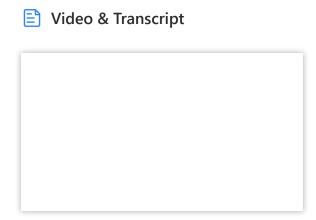
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your group know that they're on their own journey in their own I like to I like to create an energetic field around everybody they already have one

41:25 but like reminding them they have their own energetic field they have their own boundaries that they're on their own journey and that they can experience everything that they need to inside the their own little journey um and then at the end if it needs to be shared um giving people the time and the space that they need to but also giving everybody else the opportunity to leave or journal or doing what they want to do instead of forcing them into participating um I know after doing group breath work sessions there were so

41:59 many times where I did not want to listen to anybody else talk when I got done having my beautiful journey I don't want to take on anybody else's stuff so I would just leave and I always let people know that that's an option too that we and I give them the full flow of what we're going to be doing this is this step this step this step and then at the end there'll be time for questions or shares or you can simply get up and leave that's okay too so so options for me is very

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42:32 everybody has their own un understanding of what trauma is and what their experiences with trauma was maybe it was one major event or continued major events or maybe it was these small behaviors over time or interactions over time so trauma is different for everybody and so I can't say the same thing to just one person it has to be all uh all options on the table that was so nicely said I feel safe just with you explaining it thank you breathe me now so Alyssa would you be okay in a trauma informed approach this

43:24 question is um so that need to drink did you come to an awareness of what what was there for you is that you know if you feel okay talking about that yeah so I definitely had an emptiness that I was trying to fill with alcohol um and an uncomfortableness with being with who I truly was and thinking that that wasn't enough and that I need to use ALC as a way to express myself or be comfortable with myself a lot of resonate with that yeah so instead of alcohol can you talk us through what it's like that Journey from

44:14 that awareness to the book The 30 days and then was it just like rainbows from that point it was the easiest

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hardest of the journey just because I had so much extra time that I didn't know what to do with um and then like the changes and the healing happening in my body but I knew what was happening thanks to the book um and so just almost like resting like I had an illness was was what I was doing in the first two weeks and instead of drinking alcohol I

44:54 would be drinking tea or like like sparkling water love Iroy and so I made sure to stock up with all that stuff before I officially started and then my husband joined me and that was so so supportive I don't know what I would have done if he continue to drink alcohol because we are very alike uh we would constantly continue to like get each other to drink more and so if one of us quit and the other didn't I that would have been just unhealthy and I don't think we would still be together so I'm very grateful

45:32 that he quit with me he didn't read the book and he didn't takeen all the information and it was just as easy for him so I think that it really depends on your learning style or or whatever but it's not all about your will because at the end of the day your will is kind of like a

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um so it's not endless it it will run out and then you'll be picking up that bottle because something else challenged you more than alcohol

46:08 did that's a great Insight I really like that your will is like a battery yeah I learned that from the book I feel that yeah and so now I'm coming up three years alcoholfree um and I don't miss it I did watch a show that was called like something about the Blue Zone and um living to be 100 and they talked about people in Sicily drink wine or maybe there was some other place and they like make it and they drink it and they live to be 100 and I was like it would be kind of nice to drink a glass of wine just every

46:51 once in a while and then I was like but I can't drink just one glass it's not just the one and so then I just put that to bed real quick but it's and reminded myself that like being intentional with everything that I do is so important because if I drink if I ever were to drink again one night I would have to make sure that I didn't have anything I wanted to do later that evening or the next day because it's going to affect me um and so I can't hold space if I'm drinking or I can't show up as my the best version

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I GIATIK LOO ITIGGI LIIC HIGHL before and so that's now that's my running reminder of why I don't drink is because I need to be here to hold space um and that same can be put in place with marijuana using marijuana intentionally um so it's just really that's my biggest thing my biggest tip is just living intentionally and doing things intentionally no matter what they are are how is this going to affect my evening or the next day or maybe even the whole week if I choose to do this

48:03 thing right now that's a great awareness yeah so I'm thinking about if there was a book for like all of our um I don't want to call them vices because it can also so as a pickleball coach I could see all of these people coming together and and there was such a a sense of community that existed inside the building and these friendships that were formed and then you know we would play for a couple hours and then we do it again the next day and the next day and the next day and the next day and as you guys

48:48 shared you know without alcohol you still you actually experienced fun experienced community and probably to a greater depth because of that presence that you were able to access and

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pickle ball it's the why it's why why am I doing this every single day is this meeting a need or creating a distraction because a need isn't being met or it could be both too so it can be complicated but just really diving in to

49:41 discover absolutely yeah I feel that with like with marijuana I would use it for my stomach problems and but I was I've told both of you I think know my stomach issues and so I would be like okay I'm just using this for pain and but then the pain was pretty much daily so I was constantly using it and then when I started feeling better I was like wait why am I I don't need this anymore this crutch this this little assistant and so I've made that realization too like okay um like really have to that's that it's

50:18 all about that intention I have to intentionally know that I'm using it for this purpose instead of just numbing out at the end of the day and it's hard it's hard but especially when you're in the routine of doing that but it's it's worth it in the long run well and it's interesting with the marijuana or the drinking or the pickle ball there's there's the routine that gets developed and then the people around you you know come

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50:55 it was the drinking together and that that was a connection and that was what your day looked like and then that decision when I stop now the routine is disrupted and how's that going to impact relationships and so that it it's it can be comp complicated yeah when your nervous system is attuned to that routine yes um I experienced a lot of um upheaval in relationships in my life when I stopped drinking alcohol they weren't sure what to expect of me um they weren't sure to what to say to me like I made a lot of people

51:38 uncomfortable because I just up and quit drinking alcohol and for the most part that makes people uncomfortable because they're like what's wrong with alcohol is something wrong with me because I drink alcohol and they're not ready to look at that question um simply because I stopped drinking alcohol that poses the question and then they're uncomfortable about the entire thing um and so I lost a lot of relationships through that time but as we know when we're evolving and it's good to shed relationships that are

52:12 no longer serving us and yeah it's always for the best especially when it's

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you yeah that's a tricky that's a tricky feeling because I I definitely I still drink from time to time but not like I used to for like totally different um life that I'm living but it is it's that I I know exactly what you mean with those certain friends that yesterday was with some and I was like can I just have some water and like you get all those

52:49 looks like what do you mean you're just drinking water it's like that's all I want it's so it's it's empowering when you once you get over that little hump of it's not even you're uncomfortable but you feel bad for making other people uncomfortable so as soon as you pass over that hump that empowerment starts to come and be like okay well I still I made I was firm in my decision yes yeah um sometimes you have to be prepared with like excuses like I have to work early tomorrow or I'm not

53:21 feeling well or just like this like have a pocket full of excuses people really start harping and pressuring you I absolutely hate pure pressure so that's one of the things that activates me and then I get like really fired up and start wanting to fight people because they tell me I need to drink and that doesn't go over very well well because then

uncomfortable but also just thrown off that somebody is is just switching that routine for them so

54:01 it's funny to to reflect on that I have a friend who um if she goes out with her friends she's my actually like my mom's friend so she goes out with her friends and she'll order a glass of wine at the bar because she's like sick of saying excuses so she goes orders a glass of wine but she has like the non-alcoholic wine like tiny little bottles in her purse she'll go to the bathroom she'll spend honey on a glass of wine go dump it out in the bathroom and fill it up with a fake bottle of

54:32 wine and that's how she has to do it and I applaud her for that that is so sad because alcohol is so expensive I know I did the math and we spent at least \$600 a month on alcohol wow alcohol is expensive yeah it's just getting worse and worse that's why when I order my latte every once in a while I'm like well at least I'm doing it's coffee and not alcohol it's like the same it's the same amount as a cocktail nowadays it's crazy caffeine's a whole another thing though like I'm pretty I can be pretty

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I'm pretty pretty good at like that second cup like if I'm facilitating or holding space I can't have the second cup because it'll affect the way that I hold space but if I need to pick me up and I'm not holding space then I definitely do use caffeine as a crutch that intentionality sacred coffee beans so Alyssa I've as uh as we've done these interviews you know we identify by

55:55 these patterns and there is like a resistance to looking in Inward and I think it's just societal it it might be a human thing and one of the mentors that I've learned from I asked her about it and she said that we have the protection and then we have like a protection to the protection and that some people's protection to the protection um either lessens with time or isn't isn't that big and so then it's easier for someone to be introspective and curious and so it sounds like when you had that

56:45 moment on your birthday with all the alcohol rated things there was a moment where you you did you say experien sadness is is that the and it was probably drunken sadness I'm pretty sure I had already dranken quite a bit that day um but yeah I was just so sad that that

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took place and were you some people and I've shared this before that I was afraid to look inside because was afraid that what I thought was inside of me would be

57:29 confirmed and so I was like I'm just not going to look did you have anything like that or was it just like let's let's see what's going on here I think I was so ignorant to the fact that there is Darkness inside like that there is things that need to be looked at and there is wounds and there are parts and there are protectors I had no idea that anything was in there I just was so fed up with myself yeah and we had already honestly already began to start being intentional with alcohol I think that summer we were like let's

58:13 we're we're snobs we like good coffee and we liked good beer and we liked good wine so when we would drink beer it was high alcohol by volum beer it was like 7% beer and that's that's a lot and you only supposed to have like 48 ounces in Montana of that kind of beer at a brewery and so when you go out and you go around to multiple breweries or you go out and you do something you go to a concert and you're there for hours you can't drink that kind of beer for hours or you're going to be in

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JO.JE WE HAU GOHE TO A couple concerts and gone out and done stuff and so that summer we had already been like let's be sustainable was our word that summer and let's drink some not so great beers just so we can hang out longer and be more responsible so the pieces were already starting to be put in motion and I was already starting to try to be more responsible and then at the end of the summer that's when that when my birthday party happened and I got all the remind of what does it even matter like you can try all you

59:29 want that's still who you are that's what it felt like anyways so what have you discovered who you are really I'm weird I'm so weird and it's safe to be weird I don't have to cover up with alcohol I don't have to like use alcohol as like the reason I'm weird like I can just be weird and I can be funny and I can be feisty and it can all be okay yeah do you experience her as weird no I don't either so there's like this holding space me which is not as feisty weird that version is a little like calmer and

01:00:28 earthier um which is I did breath work before this and I like prepared like I was going to hold space so I'm a little less weird than I would be if I just like emerged out in the

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it safe for me to show up in this space like I went to a parent teacher association thing and I'm like trying to feel out like how am I allowed to be here can I just be 100% me or do I need to like be a mom or like you know it's

01:01:05 just so fascinating when you have all these different compartments of your life how are you supposed to show up in each one I like to um discover the ingredients of the labels that we have I kind of double click inside and I'm like what's inside of there so what would you say the ingredients of your weirdness consists of my ingredients of my weirdness like what makes me weird sure um well I'm reflecting on this question too because um when I right before you jumped on I was telling Josh about taking mushrooms yesterday and I even

01:01:54 said didn't I say like I was afraid to get weird to these people that I don't see all the time so I like I just like to get weird sometimes and and I didn't really that's where that little bit of anxiety came in it's like okay can I allow myself to be weird so what are those ingredients it's a question yeah like in the safety of my home around my husband and my kids I think the weirdness

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movements that I

01:02:28 make just because I'm being weird um and I really like when jokes come through that I didn't think about at all like when I'm witty and in order for me to be witty I have to be 100% comfortable and like feel safe and know that it's safe and know that it's like whatever I say will be recepted because this person loves me they're not judging me so I think that's the ingredients I like that thank you thanks for sharing those yeah I like your questions they definitely just uh poke at like that deeper awareness like how

01:03:12 can we like really just explore what's happening in this conversation it helps with your gift of Storytelling it's all Josh's package if we double click on that the best questions to get the best stories you think I have a gift of Storytelling yes I'm a little ADHD so usually my stories are all over the place but I think I think it's been together pretty well today in this this podcast so that's good what I've been finding and I've had to find it in myself first and then as like a testing ground or

01:03:58 something is depth by exploring inside and opening looking at the ingredients of what I had deemed a certain thing and

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like dissected it and understood it from a place of C iOS it and compassion I've always found something beautiful inside and so then then it's not scary to share it because it's like oh well Society may not understand it or may judge it but if I share the insides from that place of no judgment just just curiosity and safety inside of

01:04:52 me then I'm fine sh sharing it with others and so that's what I I think Hannah and I are are really striving to do is create a space where whatever is inside of of our guess like allowing that to come forward in just a beautiful way where it's like no this is what makes me me th this is the authent authentic Alysa and and it's the witty and the jokey and the playful and the and and we you know calling it weird maybe it's weird may maybe it's Unique I think we's compliment I love that I always tell my

01:05:42 kids it's okay to be weird like your weirdness is is just perfect I because growing up I didn't think that it was okay to be weird I made got made fun of for being weird and so I want to create that safety for them to be weird yeah I have this memory of my mom saying something to me about like I don't think she told

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kid just having that realization of like normal I don't I'm not trying to be normal and that was like younger really

01:06:17 young me and then of course Society comes in to try to change that and make you feel you have to be normal but I always try to strive for that part of me that wanted nothing to do with being normal yeah EMB embrace the weird and it goes back to what I was saying at the beginning of just permissioning other people like I've been and that people enjoy authenticity if as weird as it comes off I've been watching this I've stumbled upon I love like spooky stuff during October and I stumbled upon this

01:06:55 show of it's all on YouTube and I don't normally watch YouTube shows but um these girls like ghost hunting and it's I love ghost hunting shows but they just take it kind of really silly they have all the equipment but they're not they're just kind of laughing with the ghosts and stuff and I just they're so weird they're so weird but I'm like addicted to watching how weird they are and it's it's same that get you know as I say giving permission I I'm okay to be weird and give permission on

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hang out with ghosts and be weird I want to do that so Alyssa what where can people find you and what are your current offerings what are you excited about so you can find me at um facebook.com emerge. from.

01:07:59 within um same thing for Instagram um I cohost a podcast called the wholesome Healing Collective or on YouTube Apple podcast and Spotify um and then I also hold weekly pause and breathe sessions so these are free breath work sessions online Wednesdays at I'm changing it to 2:30 p.m. MST mountain time um and Friday at noon mountain time and I just absolutely love holding space so even you know with this move and feeling like my life was a little up heel and like I didn't have a routine being able to facilitate breath work helped me find that routine and

01:08:43 helped me connect to my source as I'm holding space to other people so it just is like this beautiful reciprocity even though it's free um and then my offerings so I'm just doing packages right now I have a raiki and breath work package so uh intro to breathwork uh rinky cleans and then two hourlong sessions um in that package and then

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coaching so that body based coaching which is different than mindset work um and I offer those as four

01:09:21 session packages and then maybe Quantum Evolution the combining all and meeting three times a week in a group setting and so we always like to give you an opportunity to share a message with the world if you could say anything to our listeners let them have it um what's coming through is just be so we'll go with that I think that wraps up everything that we talked about too in the perfect little bow just be just be weird just be yourself thank you for having me it's been so wonderful I love this conversation what a great episode I hope

01:10:14 you enjoyed that as much as I did um let us know what you took from that leave some comments share with a friend who also might resonate with the story um subscribe like all those things so that we can spread the word about our podcast and so all of our beautiful stories that we get to hear from our amazing guests get to be shared around the world we appreciate you as a listener and we'll see you next time thank you thank you for listening to the deeper awareness podcast where the

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01:10:52 growth continues to unfold we hope this episode has ignited a spark within you and inspired you to embrace a more conscious and authentic existence by looking within if you enjoyed today's conversation be sure to subscribe and stay tuned for upcoming episodes or we'll continue to explore the transformative power of breath work and emotional healing continue the conversation and stay connected with us on Instagram follow @ deeper awareness podcast to receive daily inspiration valuable tips and updates on our latest

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