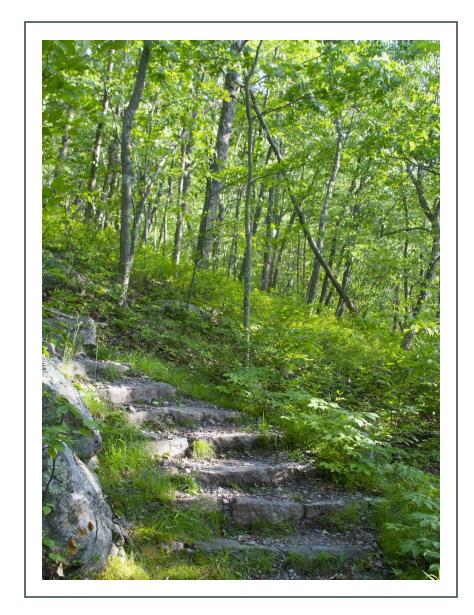
# WELCOME TO Acceptance and Integration Training®

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### Where We're Going

- Origins of AAIT<sup>TM</sup>
- Theory, Principles, and Phases
- Basic PEAT for Emotional Regulation Demo, Discussion, Practice
- Deep PEAT 4 for Problem Resolution, Shadow Integration and Goal Achievement
- Introduction to Trauma Treatment with AAIT <sup>™</sup> –
   Demo, Discussion, Practice
- Golden Shadow Integration with Deep PEAT 4.

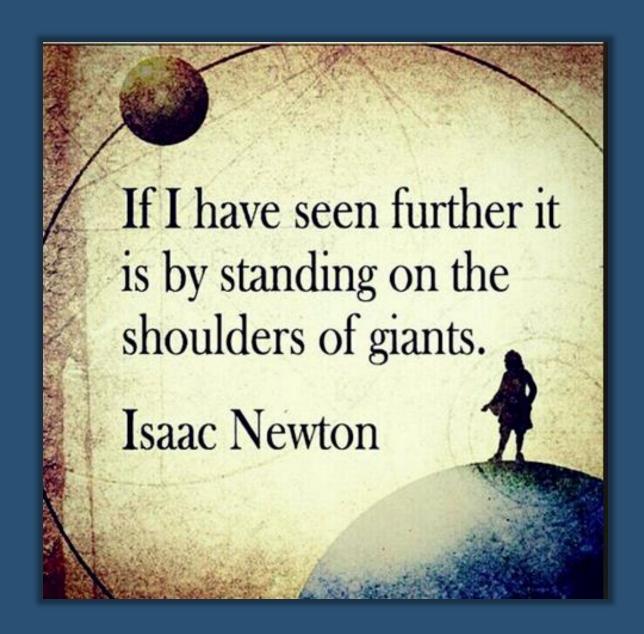


## Acceptance and Integration Training®

Resolve reactivity.
Uncloak the true SELF.

**Traumas** Conditioned Self **Early decisions** Injunctions Scripts Identities Wounds **Limiting Beliefs Mental Illness Cognitive Distortions Etcetera** © Illumined Life LLC All Rights Reserved

Origins of Acceptance and Integration Training



## My AAIT<sup>TM</sup> Story



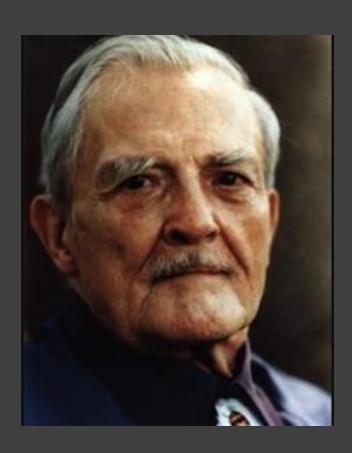


# Change will lead to insight more often than insight will lead to change.

~ Milton Erickson



D. Corydon Hammond, Ph.D.



Milton H. Erickson, M.D.

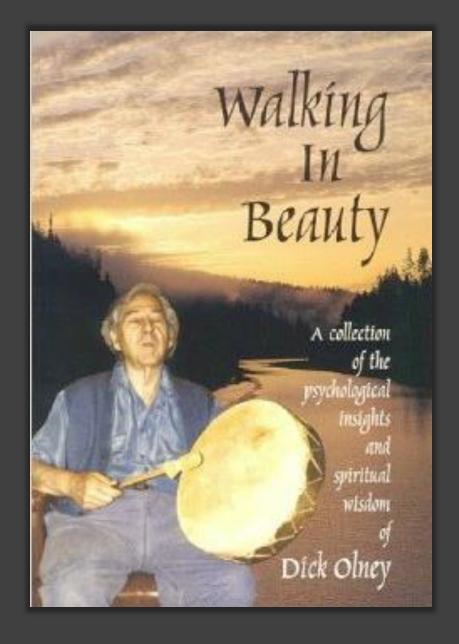


Jeffrey K. Zeig, Ph.D.



The power is in the patient.

Bob (M.D.) and Mary (L.C.S.W.) Goulding



Self Acceptance Training is experiencing myself as I am in a given moment without the inhibition of self criticism, self judgment or self evaluation.

~ Dick Olney, M.A.

All variety of things are manifestations of one thing and only appear to be two.









There are two fundamental possibilities for us as conscious human beings: dualistic and unified consciousness.

~ Zivorad M. Slavinski



# Acceptance and Integration Training

Theory

Principles

Phases



Acceptance + Integration

FREEDOM

#### AAIT<sup>TM</sup> Theory

Psycho-emotional and interpersonal distress can be relieved and resolved through the acceptance and integration of associated charged energies.



#### AAIT<sup>TM</sup> Theory

Such integration results in greater acceptance of self, others, and situations. Acceptance and integration produces an increased sense of freedom and an ability to make skillful choices, in response to previously problematic triggering situations.



#### AAIT<sup>TM</sup> Theory

Embodiment practices perpetuate ongoing self-care by both practitioners and clients.



## Shared Practice



Kintsugi ~
The Art of
Precious
Scars

## AAIT<sup>TM</sup> Principles





The true self is not encumbered by the limitations of a narrative. The true self is a being.



Self acceptance is a means and measure of wellbeing.



Resolving reactivity reveals higher states of consciousness.



**Taking** responsibility for and tending to our inner state is the source of our FREEDOM.



The integration of two opposing states can alleviate psychological suffering.



The nondual states of empty consciousness are an indication and mechanism of transformation.

Cultivating an awareness of these states contributes to decreased reactivity, increased compassion, present focused attention and more skillful choices.



#### The MOST important principle

On a low level of consciousness there are no solutions, and on high level of consciousness there are no problems.



~ Roberto Assagioli, MD

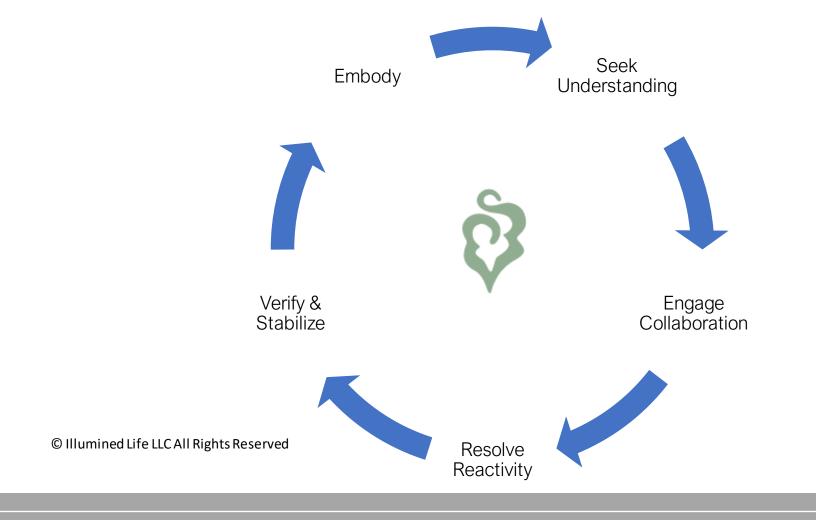
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#### AAIT™ Phases ~ SERVE





T – THOUGHTS

I – IMAGES

E - EMOTIONS

S – SENSATIONS

Charged energy tethers us to limited states and compulsive reactions.

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## Continued Learning

- Join Facebook groups –
   AAIT Community, Fellowship
   Training Group (AAIT
   Foundations for Foundations
   Graduates).
- Study. Study. Study.
- Practice. Practice. Practice.
- Come to AAIT Sanctuary as you can.

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