Day 1 Self-Assessment: Exploring Your Strategy

Use this as a way to bring more curiosity to your patterns and habits.

1. When you are scared or confused do you tend to:	
	Try to fix it or manage yourself or others (controller) Get busy and distract yourself so don't have to worry about it (distractor) Run away or avoid the situation at all costs (isolator) Try to do or become what you think the other person would like you to (pleaser)
2. When someone comes to you with a problem, how do you handle it?	
	Get angry at the adversary (controller) Try to cheer them up or bring up another topic (distractor) I don't have friends; they are too messy (isolator) Feel victimized with them and feel bad about how much they are being wronged (pleaser)
3. Before you can find your inner goddess what excess warrior / protector / judge needs to be soothed? Where do you need to make a clear boundaries with your draining thoughts and harmfu actions?	
	I need to learn to trust more and stop trying to be right all the time (controller) I need to practice staying present and curious about my own discomfort (distractor) I need to open to being seen and sharing who I am with other people (isolator) I need to listen for my own truth and stay centered in my experience (pleaser)

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What are the benefits of controlling, distracting, isolating, or pleasing, and what are the ways these strategies cause you to suffer?

Here are some examples to get you started:

Controllers

Benefits: Feeling powerful, knowing what to do, getting stuff done

Suffering: Feeling frustrated, exhausted, rigid

Distractors

Benefits: Feeling free, artistic, creative, and different

Suffering: Feeling scattered, never finishing anything, unfocused

Isolators

Benefits: Feeling safe, knowing yourself, no drama Suffering: Feeling alone, not seen, disconnected

Pleasers

Benefits: Feeling helpful, needed, and that everyone likes you Suffering: Feeling resentful, not knowing yourself, drained