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All Four Dimensions: PAST – Reflect on a Recent Meeting or Conversation

Autopilot off: Before moving on to the next thing, pause to do a brief 4-dimensional review of yourself in a recent leadership meeting or conversation.

Be Aware:

Without judgement, notice as much as you can:

Physical

How was I doing physically (hungry, thirsty, tired, sick, sore, rested, healthy energetic)? How was my posture? What was my position relative to others? What was the look on my face? What was I doing with my hands (or other body parts)? Was I leaning towards/away from others? Was I tense? Where? How was my breathing? When others looked at me, what did they see?

Intellectual

What was foremost on my mind? Was this thought helpful? Was it true? What else was I thinking about in the background (perhaps something in the recent past or near future)? What was I thinking about the meeting? What was I thinking about the other person(s)? What was I thinking about myself? How did I process my thoughts (creatively, randomly, logically)? How were others reacting to my thinking?

Emotional

What emotion was I feeling (glad, sad, mad, scared or shame)?Was I trying to ignore or hide any of my feelings?Did my emotions change during the encounter? If so, how?Was there something/someone outside the meeting or conversation that also impacted my emotions?Was I letting my emotions show?Was I passionate about the topic(s) being discussed?What emotion did others detect in me? How might they have detected this?

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Spiritual

What was at stake regarding my identity (who I am)? What was at stake in terms of what I sense as my purpose (why I am here)? What was at stake regarding my character? My beliefs? How did my values play a part? What did I really want? Did I manifest on the outside (physical, intellectual, emotional) what I believed on the inside?

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Adjust: What adjustments do I wish I had made prior to and/or during the meeting or conversation?