

DUMP THE MIND TRASH

- ▶ **Dump the Mind Trash:** Mind Games that Prevent us from Achieving Victory. All are related to Fear of Failure (If I take ownership I might fail); Fear of Success (If I succeed others with expect more of me); Fear of Committing (If I never really try, then I can't fail), Fear of Disappointing Others.
 - <u>Fear of Not Enough</u> need more evidence to make a decision, more time, more energy, more confidence, more details. "I'm not sure I'm going to handle this properly".
 - <u>Constant comparisons</u>- habit of comparing yourself to the people and things in the external world to validate our belief of who we are. "I don't want to be salesy or pushy".
 - <u>Need for Struggle</u> Overachievers define their self-worth by what they do, what they produce or by being busy need willpower. Struggle gives them a sense of control.
 "I'm really unlucky, nothing good ever happens to me".
 - <u>Perceptions of Control</u> -- happiness depends on rearranging the world to fit their idea of how things should be. "They won't be able to afford it".
 - <u>Illusion of Time</u> focused on what you don't have instead of what you do have.
 "Everyone is struggling in this economy".
 - <u>Clinging to Hope</u> waiting for other people or events to solve our uneasiness about who we are. "It's not polite to talk or ask about money".
 - <u>Striving for Certainty</u> occurs when the need to know an outcome keeps you from acting, making authentic decision and owning what you can do (perfectionism). "I'll wait because now is a bad time". "They'll let me know when they are ready". "I don't want to risk rejection or failure".
- ► Acknowledge Emotional Resistance: Typically experienced as Call Reluctance
 - o Minimizing it's no big deal
 - o Intellectualizing I have other clients I need to help
 - Avoidance and Procrastination Been too busy, It's too near the holiday or just after the holiday
 - Humor/Deflection I can get away with my good looks
 - Denial Everything is fine
 - o <u>Bodily signs</u> headaches, stomach problems, neck/back pain, sleeplessness
 - Overall: It's too early, it's too late, it's too hot, it's too cold, in short any excuse you can create!