### **Retrain Your Brain!**

"Change Your Thinking, Change Your LIFE....."

Change habits by developing NEW "neural pathways"

These have been getting stronger every time you do something....time to try something NEW....



#### **Neural Pathways**

## Identify the habit you want to transform and set the INTENTION

- What do you REALLY want?
- What do you need to move away from?
- How badly do you want this?
- SET the INTENTION---if it is high, then creating new neural pathways is inevitable

# Observe what the old habit or pathway is doing in your life.

- Become an observer:
  - look at any hurtful feelings it is creating in your life
  - negative thoughts keep returning
  - how does your body respond to these old pathways
  - what results are you creating in your life?
- BE the witness, and BE AWARE of these

#### **SHIFT your focus---very important!**

- To create a new neural pathway, you must take the focus OFF the old habit, and it will eventually become "extinct".
- Take your awareness off of what you DON'T want, and instead focus on what you WANT.

Your body follows what you focus your MIND on.....

#### **Use Your Imagination....daydream!**

- You can build new neural pathways not only with new behaviors, but through imagination:
  - Imagine what you want over and over, repeating this in your mind
  - Focus and retrain.....
  - What would it look like? Sound like? Feel like?
  - Allow yourself to daydream and use Creative Visualization to make it real
  - Keep rebuilding your new neural pathways until they become your new "normal"

#### Interrupt your thought and patterns as they arise

- Say "NO!" or "CANCEL" when an old thought or impulse comes in
- Replace it with "I don't have to do that any more"
- Turn immediately toward that new neural pathway you are building
- Keep moving in that direction
- Realize that this IS effective!!

## Remain TEACHABLE to Spirit

- Connect with you HIGHER SOURCE/God/Higher Self for inspiration and support
- Know that you CAN change your thoughts, change your LIFE!
- Stay present, overcome your fears, and get to know the Infinite Source!