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Resilience in Times of Change, Guiding Principles Kindness, Service, Joy, & Passion

Some people show incredible resiliency, while others seem to be overwhelmed, defeated, and self-destructive from having horrific childhood and other life experiences. This training looks at characteristics of resiliency and how basic caregiving and interactions empower children and individuals to be more successful in school, vocationally, relationships, and life.

3 Characteristics of Resilient Children and People

Why do you pick up a baby who is crying?

Does he/she "get" you?

The Emotional Request

Different Stories for Resilient and Non-Resilient People

Principles for becoming strong, or to build a strong successful child

Stress One must experience stress, since stress is what builds strength. Avoiding stress,

avoids opportunities to grow.

Frustrate One must experience frustration to learn how to survive it and deal with it

successfully, since it accompanies life experiences, stresses, and challenges. Avoiding frustration

results in avoiding the stress that builds.

Fail One must experience and become comfortable of failure, since failure is a natural consequence of

trying anything or learning anything. Fear of failure results in one of two consequences: one will become socio-pathic and willing to win at all costs, no matter how harmful it is to oneself, others

or the community; or, to guarantee no failure, one will not try.

Suffer While experiencing stress, frustration, and failure, one must also suffer in order to experience that

one can suffer without being destroyed or overwhelmed; to discover ones resiliency. If one feels that one cannot tolerate any suffering, then one will do extreme compulsive behaviors in order to

avoid suffering.

Sensitivity A person can endure stress, frustration, failure, and suffering, if his/her caring authoritative

individuals has the sensitivity to understand his/her abilities, limitations, and capacities.

Support With that sensitivity, then such caring authoritative individuals can offer the appropriate support

that one needs to benefit from stress, frustration, failure, and suffering.

Strength From the experiences with sensitive support, one will develop strength, and

Skills From the experiences with sensitive support, one will develop skills.

Survive From the experiences, strength, and skills, one will develop a confidence that despite the

difficulties and challenges of the world, they will survive.

Flourish Once one is confident that he/she can survive, then he/she can risk and have the opportunity to

flourish in the world.

**All individuals must go through Stress, Frustration, Failure, & Suffering to grow powerful. To build powerful successful children, parents must stress, frustrate, let their children fail, and make sure they suffer! W/ sensitivity, they can support their children through this to develop strength & skills that will ensure survival and offer the possibility of flourishing.