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We all need to show ourselves some love from time to time to maintain a balance of our mind, body, and soul. Once these connections are understood and nurtured, you'll find a peaceful mindset.

One thing that's important to remember first and foremost is that ***you are a valuable human person***. You have to truly believe that you can love yourself and that you deserve to receive love. Some people will find this to be a difficult hurdle to jump over, but it has to be done in order to make positive steps forward.

Let's explore your mind, body, and soul:

1. **Your Mind.** In order to show love to yourself you need to master your mind. This can prove to be one of the most difficult tasks. Negative thinking tends to creep up in some fashion everyday and it's your job to combat this thinking pattern.
- **Addictions.** These can range from seemingly harmless problems, to severe life disruptions. To start treating yourself right, you need to master your addictions. This might mean controlling what goes into your body or guarding your time spent on television, shopping, or the computer.
- **Personal Development.** You'll want to discover the power of positive thinking. There are many books and resources that can help you discover the "glass half full" mentality.
- **Relationships.** Your relationships play a large role in how you judge your self-worth. ***You need to surround yourself with positive people and make the best of all situations.***

2. Your Body. Maintaining a healthy body is just as important as maintaining a healthy mind. When you concentrate on your health, you gain energy, focus, and happiness.

- **Exercise.** If you make a moderate exercise routine a part of your day, it could be enough to maintain a great body image. If you have weight to lose, you may wish to go through a more rigorous routine after talking with a healthcare professional.
- **Nutrition.** Eating a healthy diet will energize you and make you feel great throughout the day. Strive to eat a balanced diet, but don't feel bad if you slip up every once in awhile. ***Nobody is perfect!***

3. Your Soul. Your soul or spirit is your life force. ***Your soul is where you find your peace and deeper purpose.***

- **Religion.** Chances are your personal religion will address the questions and answers when it comes your soul. Practicing your religion will help strengthen your soul. If you don't have a religion you can still engage in activities that you find peaceful and meaningful.
- **Enlightenment.** This is often described as a moment of revelation where you discover something about your inner self or about the world and how it works. You could read and write about it endlessly, but you can only continue living your life in order to experience it.

Yoga

One activity to consider trying is yoga. It is an ancient practice that connects the mind, body, and spirit. During a yoga session you'll go through different postures and meditation exercises. During this connection of the mind and body, you just might experience an inner calm, too.

When you nurture your mind, body, and soul, you're showing yourself the deepest, most fulfilling kind of love. So take some time to love yourself!