## **Personal VOICE**

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## **Personal Voice of the Essential Self**

- The vocal and written expression of our unique, fundamental, indispensable self.
- Personal Voice, spoken or written, which represents our ability to think with feeling, and feel with thinking, without defensiveness.
- This voice reveals our reflective capacity to understand and communicate our own experience as well as receive such communication from the other in an elaborative dialogue of meaning.

## **Emotional Spoken and Written Language of Personal Voice** is comprised of:

- **\*** Words arising out of mental imagery
- Multisensory pictures that represent one's experience, using all six senses: sight, hearing, taste, touch, smell, and intuition
- The symbolization of a wide spectrum of affects within a flow of selfstates
- Building verbal bridges between categories of experiences
- The ability to differentiate between what is "me" and what is "you" and what is "mine" and what is "yours"

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