



Dr. Tamara Russell: What Does Embodiment Really Mean?



As a clinical psychologist, martial artist and neuroscientist, Tamara brings a unique, multiple perspective to her mindfulness teaching, therapy, and research. Her particular interest is the embodiment of mindfulness.

TOP EMBODIMENT TIP: Play with your feet. Honor your feet.

What is embodiment?

- Embodiment is the deep presence of the practitioner. It is bringing your practice into every step you take, every relationship you have, into the workplace etc.
- The core theme is meeting people where they're at.
- During these times, with high technology use and the confusion and lack of trust stemming from the pandemic, it's important to come back to our bodies throughout the day with simple and effective practices.
- Movement is an essential element that supports embodiment when a person is experiencing high levels of stress and arousal for any reason.
- Her research has found that shorter practices, more often throughout the day is helpful.

The Transitional Pause

- A meditation with 3 tools that helps to tune in:
 - **Tool 1**: Settling into the present moment.
 - **Tool 2**: Shoulder rolls.
 - **Tool 3**: Swaying side to side on soles of the feet.

The brain and the body

- Dr. Russell believes that our brain is all throughout the body
- The three C's of mental orientation of what to do (when you don't know what to do):
 - Courage.
 - Curiosity.
 - Compassion.

Resources

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- * **References:** Dr. Peter Levine, Jim Morningstar,

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