

Understanding Trauma What Does Healing Mean?

Denial *It wasn't so bad. *We will just work it out. *This isn't happening to me.	Anger *Everyone is terrible and unfair. *I just hate him so much. *How dare God let this happen?
Bargaining *If only I had tried harder. *If I was prettier/smarter/nicer this wouldn't have happened. *If only we had gone to the doctor sooner.	Depression *Why bother trying? *I cannot find a reason to go on. *No one cares about me.
Acceptance *I do have a lot of good memories. *I know I did my best. *I believe that God has a plan for me.	Do any other feelings come to mind?

Anger
Disgust
Envy
Jealousy
Irritation
Rage
Bitterness

Love

Liking Affection Caring Sentimentality Adorations Fondness Tenderness Attraction Longing Lust

Fear

Horror Alarm Shock Nervousness Tension Terror

Sadness

Depression Disappointment Neglect Rejection Despair Shame Guilt Regret Anguish Suffering

Joy

Cheerfulness Bliss Pride Relief Excitement Happiness

Surprise

Amazement Astonishment Surprise Sympathy Pity



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Label each room with a different aspect of your life- work, family, friends, relationship, activities, church, self-esteem, fitness, school – whatever comes up when you think about the different parts of your life. Then, you will give each room a number on a scale from one to ten... one being terrible and ten being amazing. This simple practice can be helpful in combating anxiety and in identifying why we may be feeling a certain way.

Walking through the rooms

