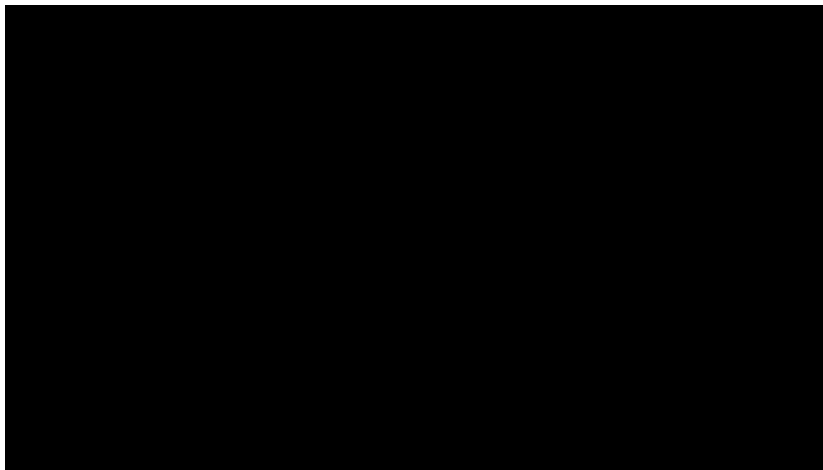
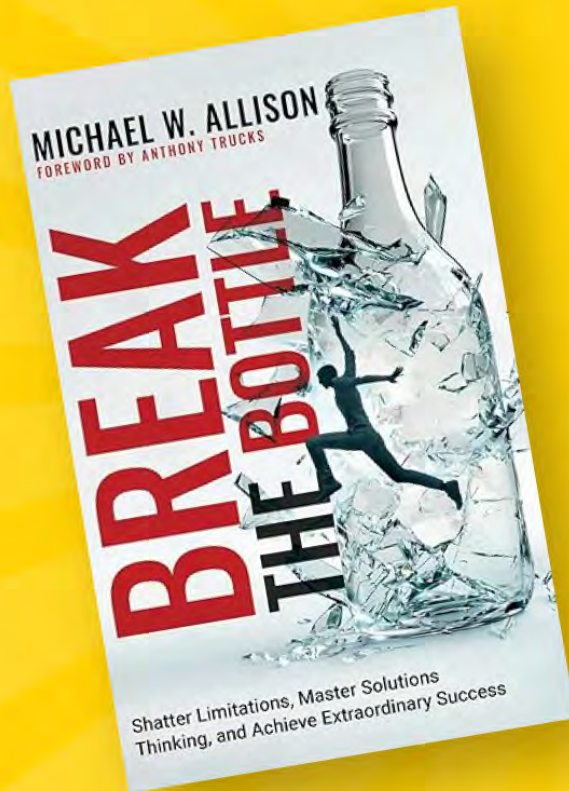




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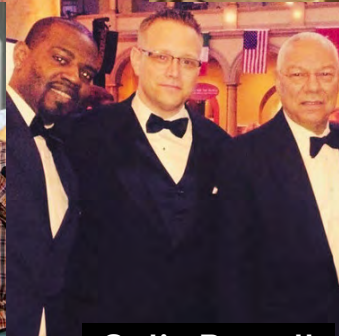
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COMPARISON**

ANGER Pain DEPRESSION
Anxiety ABANDONMENT Lies
Regrets SADNESS DOUBT
COMPROMISE Anger
Hatred Worries
TRUST FRUSTRATION
Stress SHAME Secrets
Failures IMPOSTER SYNDROME Guilt
Jealousy EXHAUSTION Dreams
Abuse
PERFECTION Memories
GRIEF Desires
Fears INSECURITY THE PAST

Excitement

Happy

Love







*We few, we happy few, we band of brothers, For he today who shed
his blood with me shall be my brother*



*William White
March 28, 2003*



*Andy Aviles
April 7, 2003*



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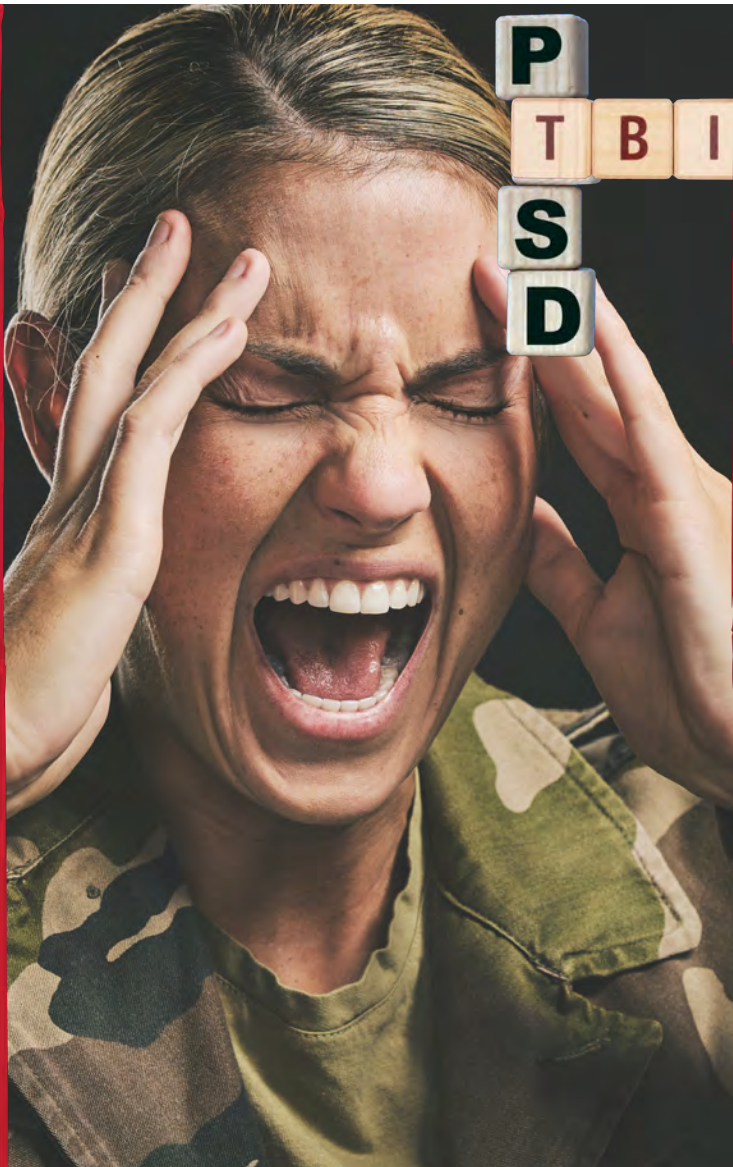


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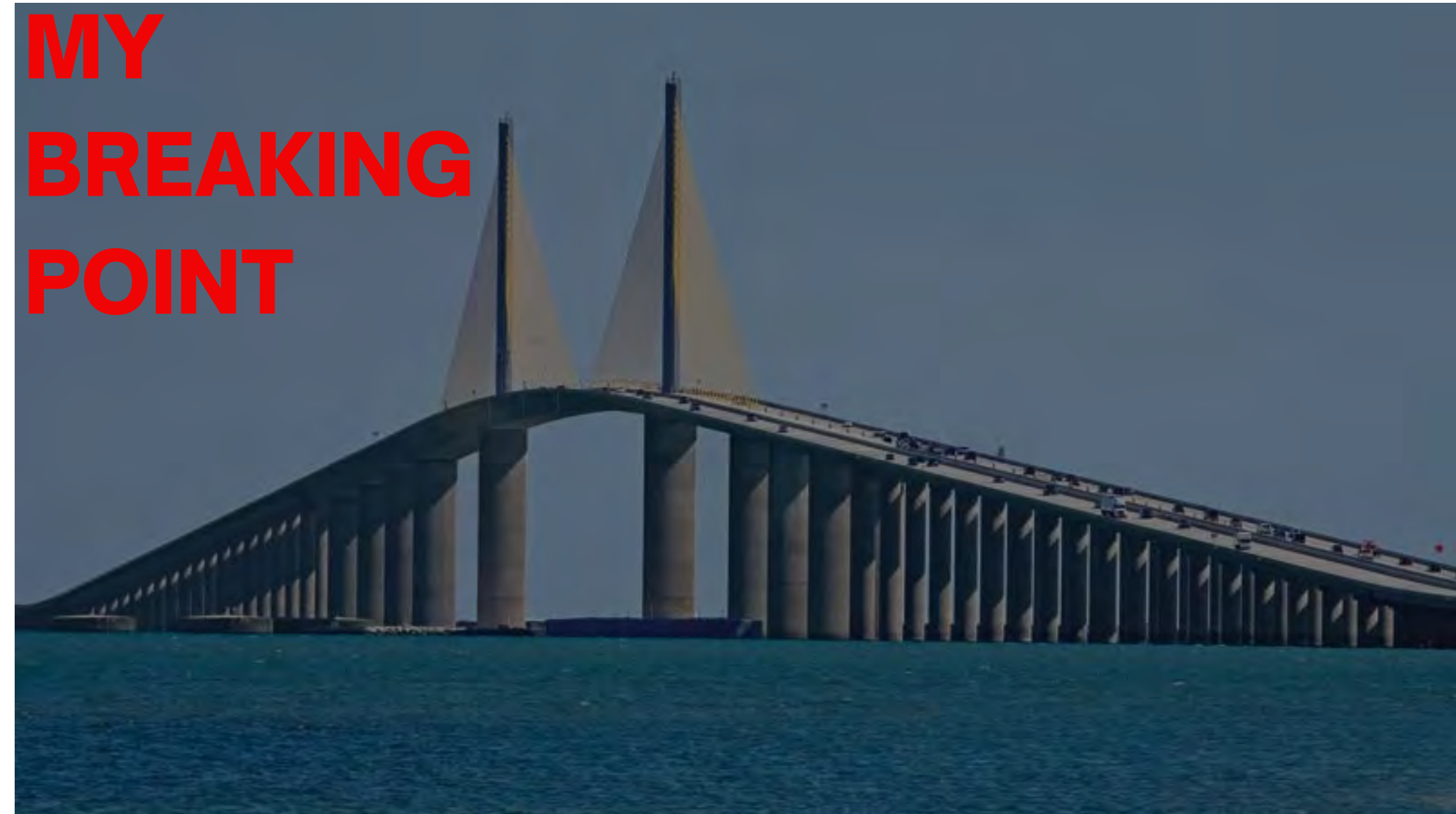


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Rest In Peace My Brothers



MY BREAKING POINT





TO SEE REAL
.....TRANSFORMATION

YOU MUST PARTICIPATE
...IN YOUR OWN RESCUE

SKUNK WORKS







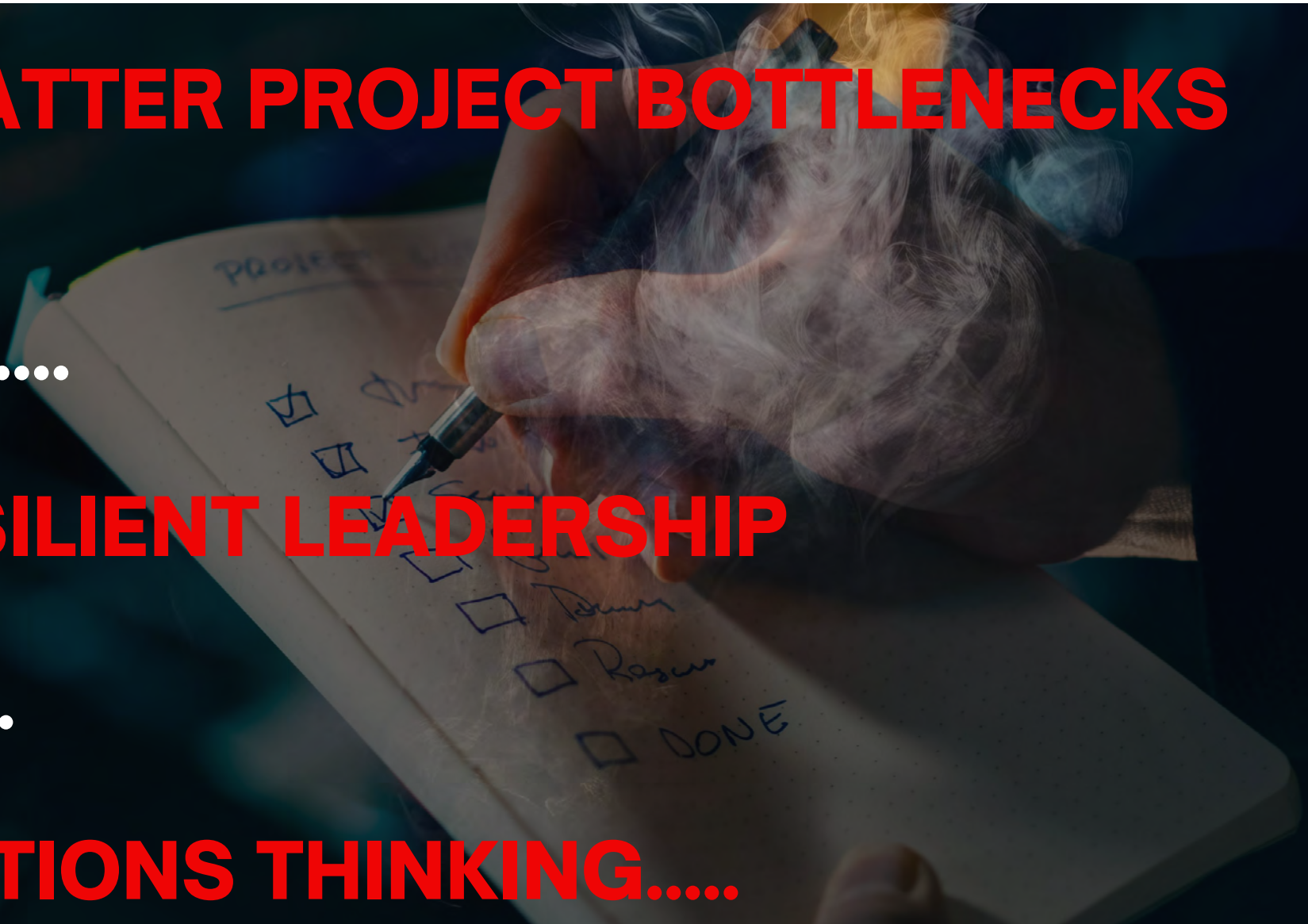
....SHATTER PROJECT BOTTLENECKS

WITH....

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DECISION

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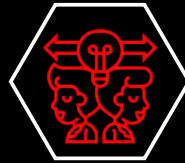
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HOW TO MAKE YOUR DECISION

BREAK THE PATTERN

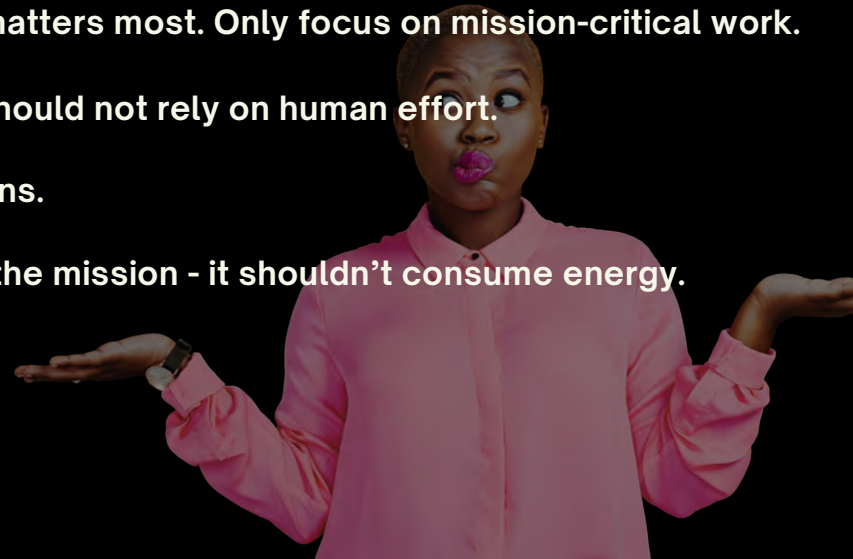


1. You have to IDENTIFY the decision. (AADE SYSTEM)

- **ALLOCATE** - Assign your best time, energy, and resources to what matters most. Only focus on mission-critical work.
- **AUTOMATE** - If a task is repetitive, predictable, and rule-based... it should not rely on human effort.
- **DELEGATE** - Scale execution and do not hold onto too many decisions.
- **ELIMINATE** - Not everything should be optimized. If it doesn't serve the mission - it shouldn't consume energy.

2. You have to CLARIFY what actually matters.

3. You have to VERIFY and move.

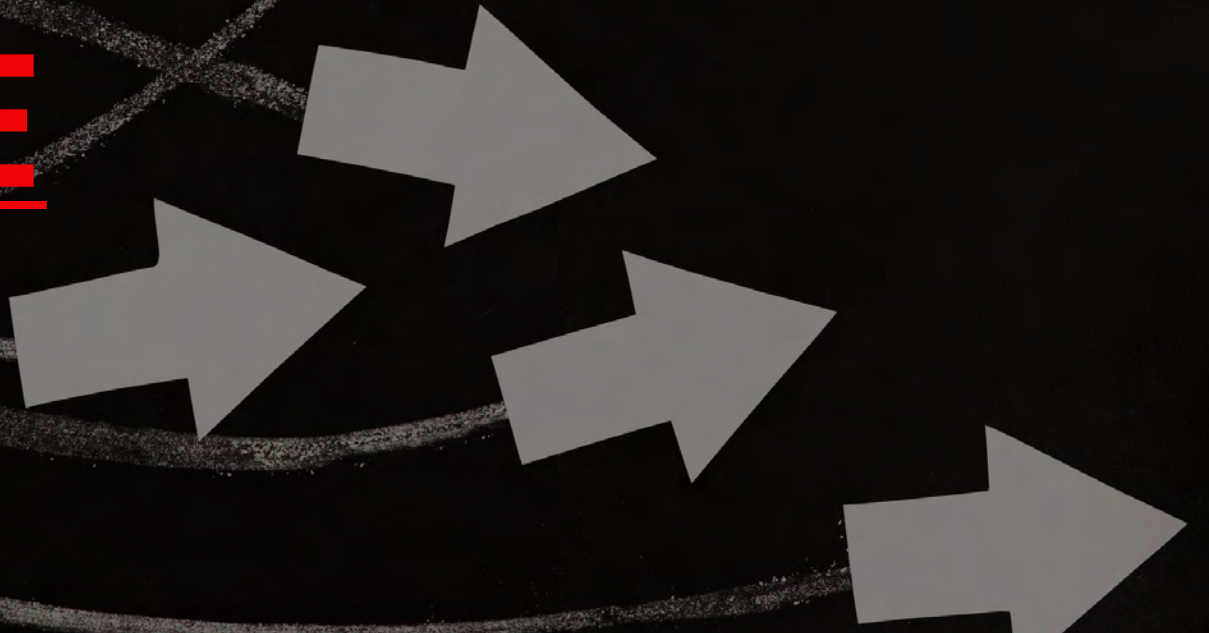


WHAT IS THE
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BACK...



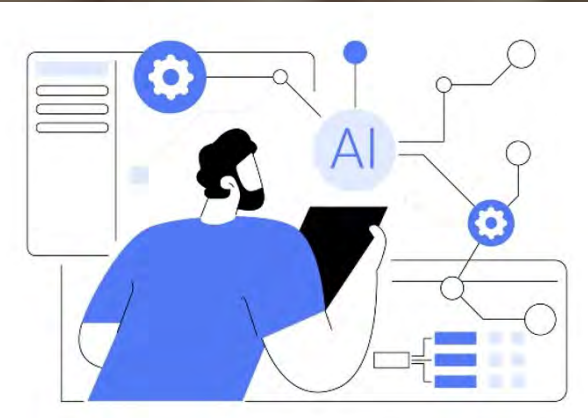
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T**HE**
P**ATH**





GOOD PLAN
BAD PLAN



HOW TO NAVIGATE YOUR DIRECTION

CHOOSE THE PATH



1. You PLAN - you set your initial path. (PACE PLAN)

- Primary (Best Option) - Your main approach and the expected path to success.
- Alternate (Solid Backup) - A viable backup, still effective, slightly less optimal.
- Contingency (Workable) - Adjusted approach under constraint, may reduce scope, cost, or speed.
- Emergency (Last Resort) - Keeps project alive, prevents total failure.

2. You BUILD - you start executing and creating momentum.

3. You NAVIGATE - because things will change.



DESTINATION

OWN
THE
FUTURE





HOW TO GET TO YOUR DESTINATION

OWN THE FUTURE



1. You have to ALIGN the team - everyone understands where you're going and why it matters.

- What am I not saying that needs to be said?
- What am I saying that's not being heard?
- What am I not hearing that's being said?
- What is being said that I'm not hearing?

2. You have to ENGAGE the team - they're not just involved....they're committed.

3. You have to SUSTAIN the effort - especially when things get hard....things will change.





**BREAK
THE
BOTTLE**



3 Moves to **BREAK THE BOTTLE** - Shattering Project Bottlenecks with Resilient Leadership and Solutions Thinking



1 - DECISION: Within the next 24 hours, identify one decision you've been avoiding.



2 - DIRECTION: Take that decision and create one clear next action for your team.



3 - DESTINATION: Call your team together and execute...quickly.



**COMPLACENCY
KILLS**

COMPLACENCY: *being overly satisfied or comfortable with an existing situation or condition; often while unaware of some potential danger or hazard.*

**DON'T LET IT
HAPPEN TO YOU**



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