

"Dru Joe Dispenza"

Dr I Joe Dispenza is an international lecturer, researcher, corporate consultant, author, and educator who has been invited to speak in more than thirty three countries on six continents.

As a lecturer and educator, he is driven by the conviction that each of us has the potential for greatness and unlimited abilities. In his easy-to-understand, encouraging, and compassionate style, he has educated thousands of people, detailing how they can rewire their brains and recondition their bodies to make lasting changes.

Dr I Joe is also a faculty member at Quantum University in Honolulu, Hawaii; the Omega Institute for Holistic Studies in Rhinebeck, New York; and Kripalu Center for Yoga and Health in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. He's also an invited chair of the research committee at Life University in Atlanta, Georgia.

As a researcher, **Dr**_{II} **Joe's** passion can be found at the intersection of the latest findings from the fields of neuroscience, epigenetics, and quantum physics to explore the science behind spontaneous remissions. He uses that knowledge to help people heal themselves of illnesses, chronic conditions, and even terminal diseases so they can enjoy a more fulfilled and happy life, as well as evolve their consciousness.

At his advanced workshops around the world, he has partnered with other scientists to perform extensive research on the effects of meditation, including epigenetic testing, brain mapping with electroencephalograms (EEGs), and individual energy field testing with a gas discharge visualization (GDV) machine.

Dr II **Joe's** research also includes measuring both heart coherence with Heart Math monitors and the energy present in the workshop environment before, during, and after events with a GDV Sputnik sensor.

As a corporate consultant, **Dr**_{||} **Joe** gives on-site lectures and workshops for businesses and corporations interested in using neuroscientific principles to boost employees' creativity, innovation, productivity, and more. His corporate program also includes private coaching for upper management.

Dr | **Joe** has personally trained and certified a group of more than 70 corporate trainers who teach his model of transformation to companies around the

world. He also recently began certifying independent coaches to use his model of change with their own clients.

As a NY Times best-selling author, Dr Joe has written "Becoming Supernatural: How Common People Are Doing the Uncommon" which draws on research conducted at his advanced workshops since the year 2012 to explore how common people are doing the uncommon to transform themselves and their lives; "You Are the Placebo: Making Your Mind Matter", which explores our ability to heal without drugs or surgery, but rather by thought alone; "Breaking the Habit of Being Yourself: How to Lose Your Mind and Create a New One" and "Evolve Your Brain: The Science of Changing Your Mind", both of which detail the neuroscience of change and epigenetics.

Dru Joe received a B.S. from Evergreen State College and his doctor of chiropractic degree from Life University, where he graduated with honors. His postgraduate training covered neurology, neuroscience, brain function and chemistry, cellular biology, memory formation, and aging and longevity.





" I get up .. and walk back into my Life"

I never planned on doing any of this.

The work I'm currently involved in as a speaker, author, and researcher sort of found me. In order for some of us to wake up, we sometimes need a wake-up call.

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During the Year 1986, I got the call.

On a beautiful Southern California day in April, I had the privilege of being run over by an SUV in a Palm Springs triathlon. That moment changed my life and started me on this whole journey.

I was 23 at the time, with a relatively new chiropractic practice in La Jolla, California, and I'd trained hard for this triathlon for months.

"terrible accident"

I had finished the swimming segment and was in the biking portion of the race when it happened. I was coming up to a tricky turn where I knew we'd be merging with traffic. A police officer, with his back to the on-coming cars, waved me on to turn right and follow the course.

Since I was fully exerting myself and focused on the race, I never took my eyes off of him. As I passed two cyclists on that particular corner, a red four-wheel-drive Bronco going about 55 miles an hour slammed into my bike from behind.

The next thing I knew, I was catapulted up into the air; then I landed squarely on my backside. Because of the speed of the vehicle and the slow reflexes of the elderly woman driving the Bronco, the SUV kept coming toward me, and I was soon reunited with its bumper.

I quickly grabbed the bumper in order to avoid being run over and to stop my body from passing between metal and asphalt. So, I was dragged down the road a bit before the driver realized what was happening. When she finally did abruptly stop, I tumbled out of control for about twenty yards.

I can still remember the sound of the bikes whizzing by and the horrified screams and profanities of the riders passing me.. not knowing whether they should stop and help or continue the race. As I lay there, all I could do was surrender.

"I had broken six vertebrae"

I would soon discover that I had broken six vertebrae: I had compression fractures in thoracic 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 and lumbar 1 (ranging from my shoulder blades to my kidneys). The vertebrae are stacked like individual blocks in the spine, and when I hit the ground with that kind of force, they collapsed and compressed from the impact.

The eighth thoracic vertebra, the top segment that I broke, was more than 60 percent collapsed, and the circular arch that contained and protected the spinal cord was broken and pushed together in a pretzel-like shape. When a vertebra compresses and fractures, the bone has to go somewhere.

In my case, a large volume of shattered fragments went back toward my spinal cord. It was definitely not a good picture. As if I were in a bad dream gone rogue, I woke up

the next morning with a host of neurological symptoms, including several different types of pain; varying degrees of numbness, tingling, and some loss of feeling in my legs; and some sobering difficulties in controlling my movements.

" I was advised surgery to implant a Harrington Rod"

So, after I had all the blood tests, x-rays, CAT scans, and MRIs at the hospital, the orthopedic surgeon showed me the results and somberly delivered the news: In order to contain the bone fragments that were now on my spinal cord, I needed surgery to implant a Harrington Rod.

That would mean cutting out the back parts of the vertebrae from two to three segments above and below the fractures and then screwing and clamping two 12-inch stainless-steel rods along both sides of my spinal column. Then they'd scrape some fragments off my hip bone and paste them over the rods.

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It would be major surgery, but it would mean I'd at least have a chance to walk again.

Even so, I knew I'd probably still be somewhat disabled, and I'd have to live with chronic pain for the rest of my life. Needless to say, I didn't like that option. But, if I chose

not to have the surgery, paralysis seemed certain.

The best neurologist in the Palm Springs area, who concurred with the first surgeon's opinion, told me that he knew of no other patient in the United States in my condition who had refused it.

The impact of the accident had compressed my T-8 vertebra into a wedge shape that would prevent my spine from being able to bear the weight of my body if I were to stand up: My backbone would collapse, pushing those shattered bits of the vertebra deep into my spinal cord, causing instant paralysis from my chest down. That was hardly an attractive option either.

" have the surgery or be paralyzed "

I was transferred to a hospital in La Jolla, closer to my home, where I received two additional opinions, including one from the leading orthopedic surgeon in Southern California. Not surprisingly, both doctors agreed that I should have the Harrington Rod

It was a pretty consistent prognosis: have the surgery or be paralyzed, never to walk again.

If I had been the medical professional making the recommendation, I'd have said the same thing: It was the safest option. But it wasn't the option I chose for myself.

" I decided against the medical model "

Maybe, I was just young and bold at that time in my life, but I decided against the medical model and the expert recommendations.

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I believe that there's an intelligence, an invisible consciousness, within each of us that's the giver of life.

It supports, maintains, protects, and heals us every moment. It creates almost 100 trillion specialized cells (starting from only 2), it keeps our hearts beating hundreds of thousands of times per day, and it can organize hundreds of thousands of chemical reactions in a single cell in every second ... among many other amazing functions.

" to go within and connect "

I reasoned at the time that if this intelligence was real and if it willfully, mindfully, and lovingly demonstrated such amazing abilities,



maybe I could take my attention off my external world and begin to go within and connect with it " developing a relationship with it.

But, while I intellectually understood that the body often has the capacity to heal itself, now I had to apply every bit of philosophy that I knew in order to take that knowledge to the next level and beyond, to create a true experience with healing.

And, since I wasn't going anywhere and I wasn't doing anything except lying facedown, I decided on two things:

First, every day, I would put all of my conscious attention on this intelligence within me and give it a plan, a template, a vision, with very specific orders, and then I would surrender my healing to this greater mind that has unlimited power, allowing it to do the healing for me.

And second, I wouldn't let any thought slip by my awareness that I didn't want to experience.

" I leave the hospital "

A radical decision against the advice of my medical team, I left the hospital in an ambulance that brought me to the home of two close friends, where I stayed for the next three months to focus on my healing.

I was on a mission. I decided that I would begin every day reconstructing my spine, vertebra by vertebra, and I would show this consciousness, if it was paying attention to my efforts, what I wanted.

I knew that it would demand my absolute presence " that is, for me to be present in the moment " not thinking about or regretting my past, worrying about the future, obsessing about the conditions in my external life, or focusing on my pain or symptoms. Just as in any relationship we have with anybody, we all know when someone is present or not with us.

"being totally present in the moment"

Because consciousness is awareness, awareness is paying attention, and paying attention is being present and noticing, this consciousness would be aware of when I was present and when I wasn't.

I would have to be totally present when I interacted with this mind; my presence would have to match its presence, my will would have to match its will, and my mind would have to match its mind.

" visualizing a totally healed spine "

So for two hours twice a day, I went within and began creating a picture of my intended result: a totally healed spine.

Of course, I became aware of how unconscious and unfocused I was. It's ironic.

I realized back then that when crisis or trauma occurs, we spend too much of our attention and energy thinking about what we don't want instead of what we do want.

During those first several weeks, I was guilty of this tendency on what seemed like

a moment-to-moment basis. In the middle of my meditations on creating the life I wanted with a fully healed spine, I would all of a sudden become aware that I'd been

unconsciously thinking about what the surgeons had told me a few weeks prior: that I would probably never walk again.

I would be in the midst of inwardly reconstructing my spine, and the next thing I knew I was stressing over whether I should sell my chiropractic practice. While I was step-by-step mentally rehearsing walking again, I would catch myself imagining what it would be like to live the rest of my life sitting in a wheelchair.

" imagery over and over again "

So, every time, I lost my attention and my mind wandered to any extraneous thoughts, I would start from the beginning and do the whole scheme of imagery over again. It was tedious, frustrating, and, quite frankly, one of the most difficult things I'd ever done.

But, I reasoned that the final picture that I wanted the observer in me to notice had to be clear, unpolluted, and uninterrupted. In order for this intelligence to accomplish what

I hoped "what I knew" it was capable of doing, from start to finish I had to stay conscious and not go unconscious.

Finally, after six weeks of battling with

myself and making the effort to be present with this consciousness, I was able to make it through my inward reconstruction process without having to stop and start over from the beginning.

" hitting the tennis ball on the sweet spot "

I remember the day I did it for the first time: It was like hitting a tennis ball on the sweet spot. There was something right about it. It clicked. I clicked. And I felt complete, satisfied, and whole.

For the first time, I was truly relaxed and present -- in mind and body.

" no mental chatter "

There was no mental chatter, no analyzing, no thinking, no obsessing, no trying; something lifted, and a kind of peace and silence prevailed.

It was as if I no longer cared about all of the things I should have been worried about in my past and future. And that realization solidified the journey for me, because right around that time, as I was creating this vision of what I wanted, reconstructing my vertebrae, it started to get easier every day.

" significant physiological changes "

Most important, I started to notice some pretty significant physiological changes. It was in that moment that I began to correlate what I was doing inside of me to create this change with what was taking place outside of me ·· in my body.

The instant I made that correlation, I paid greater attention to what I was doing and did it with more conviction; and I did it again and again. As a result, I kept doing it with a level of joy and inspiration instead of such a dreadful, compromised effort.

And all of a sudden, what had originally taken me two or three hours to accomplish in one session, I was able to do in a shorter period.

"thinking miraculously"

Now, I had quite a bit of time on my hands. So, I started to think about what it would be like to see a sunset again from the water's edge or eat lunch with my friends at a table in a restaurant, and I thought about how I would never take any of that for granted.

In detail, I imagined taking a shower and feeling the water on my face and body, or simply sitting up while using the toilet or taking a walk on the beach in San Diego, the wind blowing on my face. These were some things that I had never fully appreciated before the accident, but now they had meaning - and I took my time to emotionally embrace them until I felt as if I were already there.

" the quantum field of possibilities "

I didn't know what I was doing at the time, but now I do: I was actually starting to think about all these future potentials that existed in the quantum field, and then I was emotionally embracing each of them.

And, as I selected that intentional future and married it with the elevated emotion of what it would be like to be there in that future, in the present moment my body began to believe it was actually in that future experience.

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As my ability to observe my desired destiny got sharper and sharper, my cells began to reorganize themselves.

I began to signal new genes in new ways, and then my body really started getting better faster.

" mind and matter are not separate "

What I was learning is one of the main principles of quantum physics: that mind and matter are not separate elements, that our conscious and unconscious thoughts and feelings are the very blue-prints that control our destiny.

The persistence, conviction, and focus to manifest any potential future lies within the human mind and within the mind of the infinite potentials in the quantum field.

Both of these minds must work together in order to bring about any future reality that potentially already exists.

"I realize ..we are all divine creators"

I realized that in that way, we are all divine creators, independent of race, gender,

culture, social status, education, religious beliefs, or even past mistakes.

I felt really blessed for the first time in my life. I made other key decisions about my healing as well. I set up a whole regimen that included diet, visits from friends who practiced energy healing, and an elaborate rehabilitation program.

But, nothing was more important to me during that time than getting in touch with that intelligence within me and, through it, using my mind to heal my body.

" I get up ·· and walk back into my life "

At nine and a half weeks after the accident, I got up and walked back into my life -- without having any body cast or any surgeries. I had reached full recovery.

I started seeing patients again at Ten Weeks and was back to training and lifting weights again, while continuing my rehabilitation, at Twelve Weeks.

And now, almost Thirty Years after the accident, I can honestly say that I've hardly ever had back pain since.

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