Diversions

Characteristics of Diversionary Energy

Unpleasant feelings of churn

Pain, frustration, resentment. Feeling distraught, victimized.

All consuming

It is hard to focus on anything else, like an obsession.

I am in my "tank"

I feel righteous. Everything about it seems extreme.

I seek allies

I look to others to reinforce my case. I create camps.

Lack of progess

I seem to make no headway. When others try to support me, I become a 'Whack-A-Mole.'

Vindication Fantasy

Often comes in the form of day dreaming about how "they'll see..."

How We Divert (Red Flags)

a. Target, Blame, Make Others Bad

By Myself

With Others

e. Obsessive Desires

f. "Awfulizing" (Catastrophic Thinking)

g. Resurfacing Old Wounds / Familiar Rabbit Holes

By Myself

With Others

b. Self-Judgment (Self-Target)

c. Existential Life Crisis

By Myself

With Others

d. Moral High Ground & Injustices

h. Projects / Crises

