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*Healing Adult Victims of Childhood Abuse
- Survivor to Thriver*

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by Serenity Now Foundations

For the women who were told they felt too much—and are ready to feel on purpose.

WELCOME

If you've been labeled “too sensitive,” “dramatic,” “moody,” or “emotional,” this course is for you.

Because here's the truth:

You were never *too much*.

You were never *broken*.

You were *wired for depth*.

This 5-part mini course is designed to help you regulate, reframe, and reclaim your emotional intensity—not as a liability, but as a gift. You'll get trauma-informed guidance, nervous system tools, and emotional empowerment practices that help you feel more confident, centered, and *alive*.

Let's begin.

MODULE 1: Why Emotional Intensity Isn't a Flaw

THE MYTH: “You're too emotional to be taken seriously.”

Many adult survivors of childhood abuse were taught to distrust their feelings. If your emotions were met with punishment, shame, or neglect, your nervous system learned:

Feeling is dangerous. Numbing is safer.

But here's what neuroscience shows:

Emotions are signals, not threats. They are messengers—not mistakes.

Emotional intensity often reflects:

- High empathy
- Advanced pattern recognition
- Deep emotional intelligence
- Survival-based vigilance

You're not broken. You're finely tuned.

REFRAME PRACTICE:

Instead of: “I'm too sensitive.”

Say: “I feel deeply—and that's a strength.”

MODULE 2: Regulating Big Emotions in Real Time

Emotional empowerment isn't about being calm all the time. It's about building the capacity to stay present when emotions rise.

Try these trauma-informed nervous system tools the next time your emotions feel “too much”:

1. The 5-5-5 Reset:

Name 5 things you can see, 5 you can hear, and 5 you can feel physically. This anchors your brain in the *now*.

2. The “Temperature Drop”:

Hold an ice cube, splash cold water on your face, or run your hands under cold water. This activates the vagus nerve and helps release emotional surges.

3. Label the Feeling:

Simply name it. “*This is grief.*” “*This is anger.*” “*This is fear.*” Labeling separates you from the overwhelm.

JOURNAL PROMPT:

What emotion tends to overwhelm you the most?

What do you wish someone had said to you *instead* of “calm down”?

MODULE 3: The Power of Permission

You don’t need to justify your feelings. You don’t need to tone yourself down. You don’t need to shrink so others stay comfortable.

You are allowed to feel everything—and still be safe.

Try giving yourself permission slips like:

- I give myself permission to cry without apology.
- I give myself permission to rest when I’m emotionally flooded.
- I give myself permission to say no—even if it disappoints someone.
- I give myself permission to need support.

EMPOWERMENT EXERCISE:

Write your own 3 permission slips and keep them somewhere visible. Let them interrupt your old programming.

MODULE 4: Owning Emotional Boundaries

One of the biggest challenges for emotionally intense women is taking on the feelings of others.

You may overfunction, fix, rescue, or emotionally absorb.

This leads to emotional burnout and identity loss.

But you don't need to absorb in order to care.

Try this simple boundary mantra when you start to feel flooded by someone else's emotions:

"Their feelings are real. But they are not mine to fix."

Other phrases that support your emotional boundaries:

- "I care about you. And I need to take care of myself first."
- "I can sit with you, but I can't carry this for you."
- "Let's take a break and talk when we're both calmer."

Need more boundary support?

Download our free "Daily Boundary Scripts" guide

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MODULE 5: Turning Sensitivity Into Strength

Emotional intensity can be a portal to:

- Deep connection

- **Creativity**
- **Truth-telling**
- **Emotional leadership**
- **Healing (for yourself and others)**

But only when it's channeled, not shamed.

Try these trauma-informed ways to alchemize your feelings:

- 1. Movement: Dance, shake, walk barefoot—emotions need motion.**
- 2. Expression: Journal, sing, paint, cry, scream into a pillow. Let it OUT.**
- 3. Connection: Share what you're feeling with someone safe. "This is hard. I'm trying to stay present."**
- 4. Creation: Turn your intensity into something real. Write. Record. Build. Teach. Create from your core.**

***Neuroplasticity tip:* Every time you allow your emotions without fear, your brain rewires itself to trust safety in expression.**

FINAL WORDS: You Were Never Too Much

Your emotions aren't the problem.

They're the *compass*.

The flashlight.

The language of your deepest truths.

Emotional empowerment isn't about control—it's about coming home to yourself without fear.

You don't need to toughen up. You need to feel safe enough to soften.

Let this be the moment you stop apologizing for your emotional life—and start owning it.

You are not too sensitive.

You are *fully alive*.

Want More Support?

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→ Learn how to deactivate your survival responses using neuroplasticity

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