## Illusion of Fear Quiz

No one likes to think that fear is driving them. But if you're not convinced that fear may be running your life, ask yourself a few questions. Check the Yes or No box next to each question:

- Y N Do you ever get defensive when someone questions you at work or home?
- Y N Do you have a pattern of abruptly ending relationships?
- Y = N Are you able to easily say you're sorry?
- $Y \mid N \mid$  Can you ask for what you need without hesitation?
- Y N Do you ever get resentful of what you've done for others?
- Y N Do you hesitate at all to have difficult conversations?
- Y N Do you have a hard time saying "no"?
- Y N Do you often ruminate or stress out about losing your job?
- $\overline{Y}$  N Have you ever stayed in an unhappy relationship for too long?
- $\overline{Y}$  N Do you often worry about what would happen to you and your family if a recession hit?
- Y N Is it troubling for you to see signs of aging in your body?
- $Y \mid N \mid$  Do you often find yourself attempting to please others?
- $Y \mid N \mid$  Have you ever ruminated about contracting a serious illness?
- Y N Do you often avoid social settings because you find yourself anxious around people?
- Y N Do you hesitate to take risks or make changes in your life?
  - N Do you avoid thinking about end-of-life issues (e.g., wills, trusts, bequeathing your belongings, and so on)?

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Now add up the number of times you answered "Yes" to know how much fear is running your life.

Total Yesses:

*The Paper Tiger Syndrome* will help you liberate yourself from these unwarranted stress responses.!

