

Event Summary



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Beyond the Charts: 3 Issues That Hurt Traders

A DTS Educational Event

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How to use this summary

Use these pages as a quick scan before watching the condensed replay. Each page pairs a slide from the event with the teaching behind it.

The examples and full reasoning are in the replay.

IT IS CRITICAL TO WATCH THE REPLAY TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS TOPIC. THIS PDF IS ONLY A HIGHLIGHT.

1. Justifying Bad Trades

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Justifying Bad Trades

- Finding reasons after the fact that were not part of the plan



Paul: I don't understand what went wrong with this swing trade... Long at the star...

1. Weekly is in an uptrend.
2. We are above the prior low that developed into a big rally.
3. Retesting a Major Support area.
3. Same area, a WBB coming off support
4. Double bottoming tails, shows it is holding support.



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Key Takeaways

1. Post-trade explanations can turn chart details into a story that never guided the entry.
2. Judge the trade against the structure and requirements you had before entering.
3. A profitable trade can be poor; a losing trade can be well planned.
4. A later rebound does not make an invalid entry right.

2. Trying to Make Trading Totally Objective

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Trying to Make Trading Totally Objective

- It is not your goal and is not possible



You have heard me talk about this. But all who emailed also knew I talk about this. But they found the “exception”.

It goes something like this:

I like to keep things simple. I have made a trading system that is easy to follow and execute.

“When A does B and C goes over D, enter over E with a stop under F”

AND IT WORKS!!! See the charts attached.

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Key Takeaways

1. A few successful charts show possibility, but they do not establish an edge.
2. Test an idea across charts chosen without hindsight, with the original rules held steady.
3. Adding conditions after seeing failures fits the rules to completed charts.
4. Learn the full chart context before simplifying. Give judgment structure.

3. Thinking Charts Are Magic

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Thinking Charts Are Magic

- Expecting support areas and trends to be exact measurements



And now we come to this slide.



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Key Takeaways

1. Support and resistance identify an area to watch, not a price that must reverse.
2. A topping tail, prior high, or indicator has no meaning by itself.
3. Watch how price behaves in the area; let entry and risk follow from that action.
4. Think in neighborhoods or “zip codes,” then use judgment within the structure.

Overall takeaway: Read the chart in context and give judgment structure.