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Focus FIRST on Transformation. A barrier-breaking business leader and seasoned Fortune 50 executive, Daphne E. Jones developed and implemented disruptive digital strategies that resulted in hundreds of millions of dollars generated for global organizations, including General Electric, Hospira (now Pfizer), IBM, and Johnson & Johnson, and positioned these companies as first-to-market innovators and industry leaders. In this talk, Jones offers tailored tactics for how organizations can find their digital “True North” and execute it to reimagine and transform their businesses and set the pace in their industries. She highlights the ways any company can leverage digital transformation to enhance the customer experience, optimize internal productivity, and catalyze innovation and growth.

From Poverty to Prosperity: An Immigrant’s Journey to the C-Suite. Business transformer and accelerator Daphne E. Jones’ path to becoming a disruptive C-suite leader was anything but typical. The odds were stacked against her, what with her being an immigrant and woman of color working to make her mark in the STEM field, where no one else looked like her. She reflects upon her own career journey of shattering glass ceilings in the business world and keeping the door open for those that came after her to share powerful lessons for how anyone can take ownership of their career, rewire their mindset, and overcome the challenges in front of them to achieve their vision of success and find fulfillment in their work and life.

From Insecurity to Security: How Your Company Can Become More Cyber Secure & Ready. As an expert in spurring digital transformation to help organizations reach their next iteration, Daphne E. Jones possesses authoritative insights into the cybersphere and the threats and opportunities that exist within it. In an immersive session that is sure to change the way audiences view the digital landscape, she empowers groups to embrace the possibilities digital transformation presents to their organizations while briefing them on what’s at stake as new challenges arise in the cybersphere. The insights Jones shares shine the light on the key role boards, management teams, and digital leaders play in helping their companies be more secure and ready — helping them move from cyber insecure to confidently more cyber secure.

Using Crisis to Catapult Your Business in the Marketplace. As a leader, your response in times of crisis will trickle down your organization and set the tone for whether you and your people will come out on the other side as the disruptors or the disrupted. A retired Fortune 50 executive who has navigated her teams through countless business hardships, Daphne E. Jones draws from her real-life experiences leading her companies to thrive in the face of disruption to provide actionable steps for how organizations can reset during times of crisis and adapt to seismic shifts in the market as they strive to compete at the highest levels in their industries.

E.D.I.T.: Strategies for Reimagining and Transforming Your Brand. “Win when they say you won’t.” That’s the mantra that founder, Fortune 50 C-suite executive, board member, and digital transformation expert Daphne E. Jones has carried this with her throughout her trailblazing career. In this eye-opening talk, she shares the unique four-step E.D.I.T. methodology that has provided the playbook for her to keep leveling up her success and can have a similar impact for organizations and individuals looking to reimagine and transform their brands. Jones inspires groups to: Envision: create their unique vision for success Design: focus on how, when, and with whom you will accomplish the vision Iterate: get feedback from the environment, and decide to pivot or persevere Transform: sit with the change and get ready for the next level With this methodology, anyone or any group is capable of adopting the winning mindset that will motivate them to stop talking about transformation and start doing the transforming.

The Evolution of the Board Room. Slowly, but surely, the makeup of corporate boardrooms is changing. They’re becoming more representative of the customer base, and inclusive of the diverse groups that keep the workforce moving, but there are still challenges and barriers to entry for nontraditional board candidates. In this talk, Fortune 50 business leader and sought-after board member Daphne E. Jones illustrates the ways in which the board room has evolved in recent years while putting forth solutions for how we can continue to progress toward board rooms that are wholly reflective of the workforce. As part of this interactive session, she demystifies the path to board positions for candidates from all backgrounds — especially women and people of color — and shares valuable tips in preparation for leaders working toward earning their seat at the table in the board room.