



# Day 3 – Engagement & Commitment

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## Themes of the week

- **The world is changing**, church is changing
- Collaborative, effective **teams are a key** to thriving in this new era
- **Religious education is a growth strategy** to jumpstart a new era of creative teamwork in congregations, and beyond



# Five Values of Great Teams!

**Achievement**

**Accountability**

**Commitment**

**Engagement**

**Trust**



# Engagement & Commitment



Two sides of  
the same  
coin



# Engagement & Commitment

**Buy-in**

VS

**Co-creation**



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# Theme Talk on Commitment and UU Identity



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Faith Identity is not accidental.



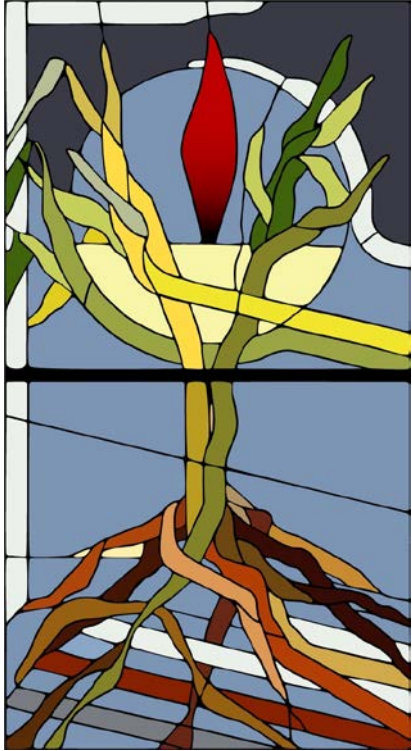
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Identity formation requires some level  
of Commitment....



And Commitment means  
**SHOWING UP!**





# GROWING Identity



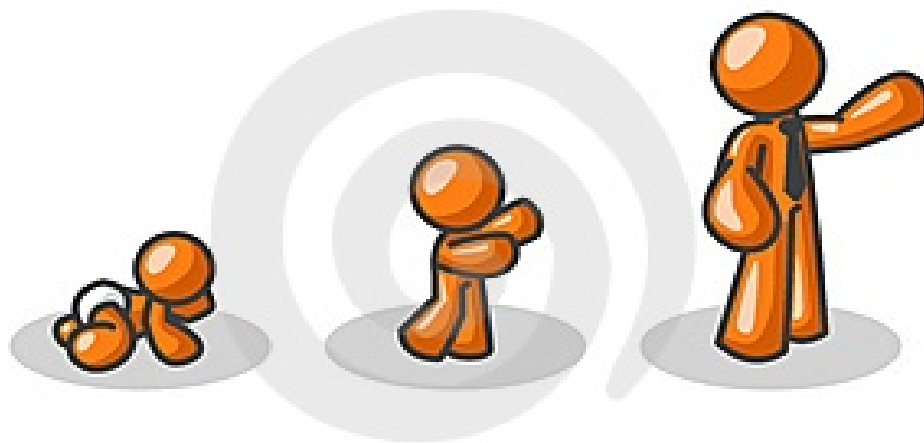
WHAT MATTERS MOST  
IS HOW YOU SEE YOURSELF.



Having clarity  
about your identity  
does not mean your it is  
permanently fixed -  
It will change over time.



# #MySixWordStoryofFaith over time





## Search for #MySixWordStoryofFaith

We fail. Grace abounds. Love abides. @revmolly

Held by Love, I unlearn fear. @revsean

Love and Justice Bend the Arc @RevCyn


God is one. God is love. @SusanWJackson

We save all souls. Here. Now. @donaldtheuugeek



# Search for #MySixWordStoryofFaith

we **TRANSFORM** ing self the world

 #mysixwordstoryoffaith  
Jordinn Nelson Long  
unitarian universalist

Love radically.  
Serve gratefully.  
Wonder daily.  
Robin Saw  
Unitarian Universalism





Search for #MySixWordStoryofFaith





What is YOUR #MySixWordStoryofFaith





# Second Faith Conversion





# Tool for the Day – The Sweet Spot





## The Sweet Spot

In the circle (your congregation/group):

- 3 places/events people “show up for.”
- 3 times people feel most Unitarian Universalist

In the square (your community):

- 3 most exciting places/events
- 3 places that break your heart

*Overlap = Sweet Spot of purpose + passion*