

Transformational Mission

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The Arc of Mission

Romans 1:11-13

- Mutual encouragement
- Passing along spiritual gifts
- Faithfulness found in each other

The Mission of the Church

Trip vs. Mission

Short-term Mission

Long-term Mission

The Baptismal Covenant

Do you *believe* in...

...God the Father?

...Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

...God the Holy Spirit?

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

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Give your heart away

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

Show Up

Will you proclaim by word and example
the Good News of God in Christ?

Tell the Story

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

Do the Work

Give your heart away

Show Up

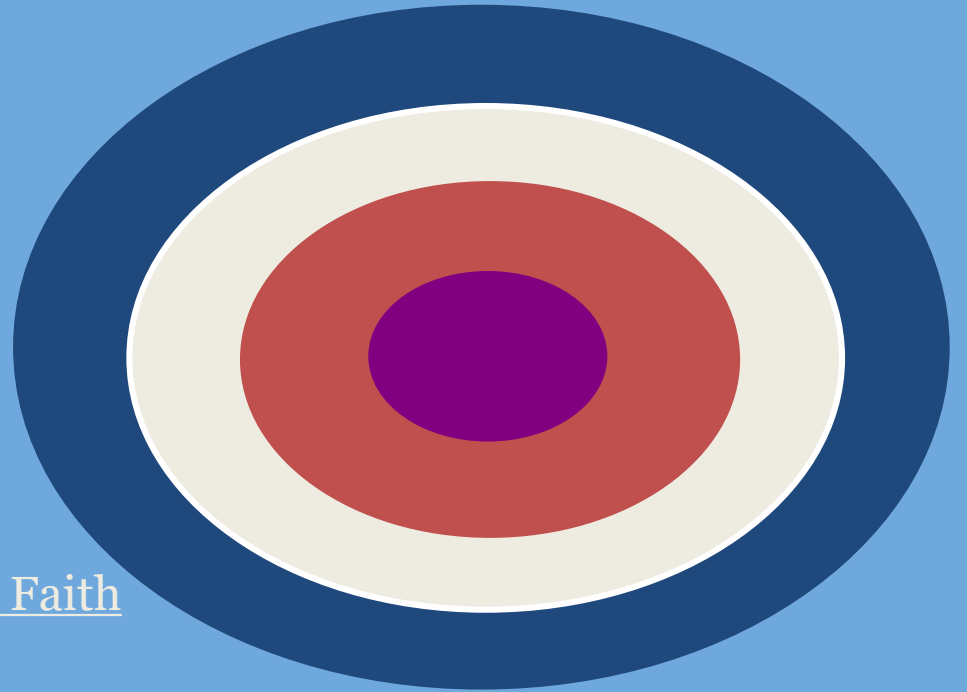
Pay Attention

Tell the Story

Do the Work

How Faith Develops

Bp. Gene Robinson's interpretation
of
John Westerhoff's
theory of faith development
as presented in [Will Our Children Have Faith](#)

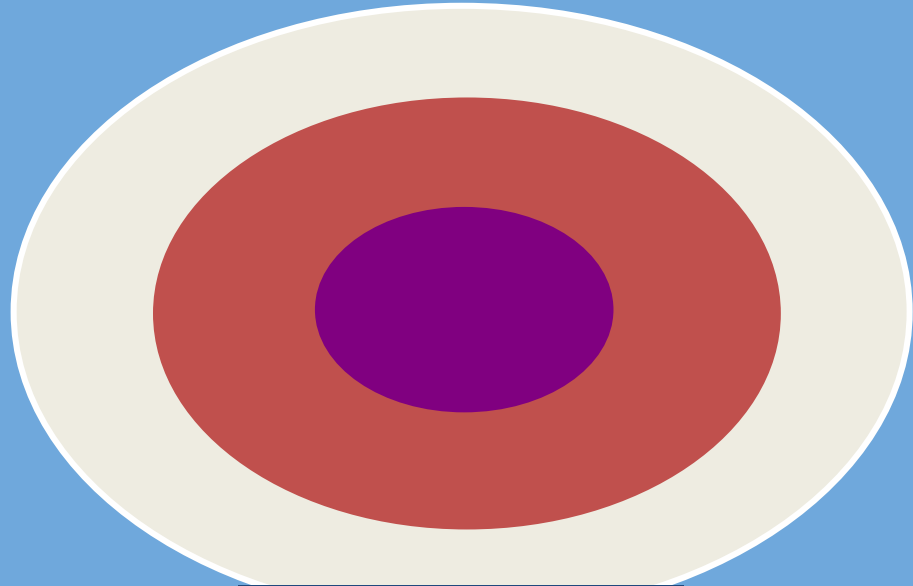




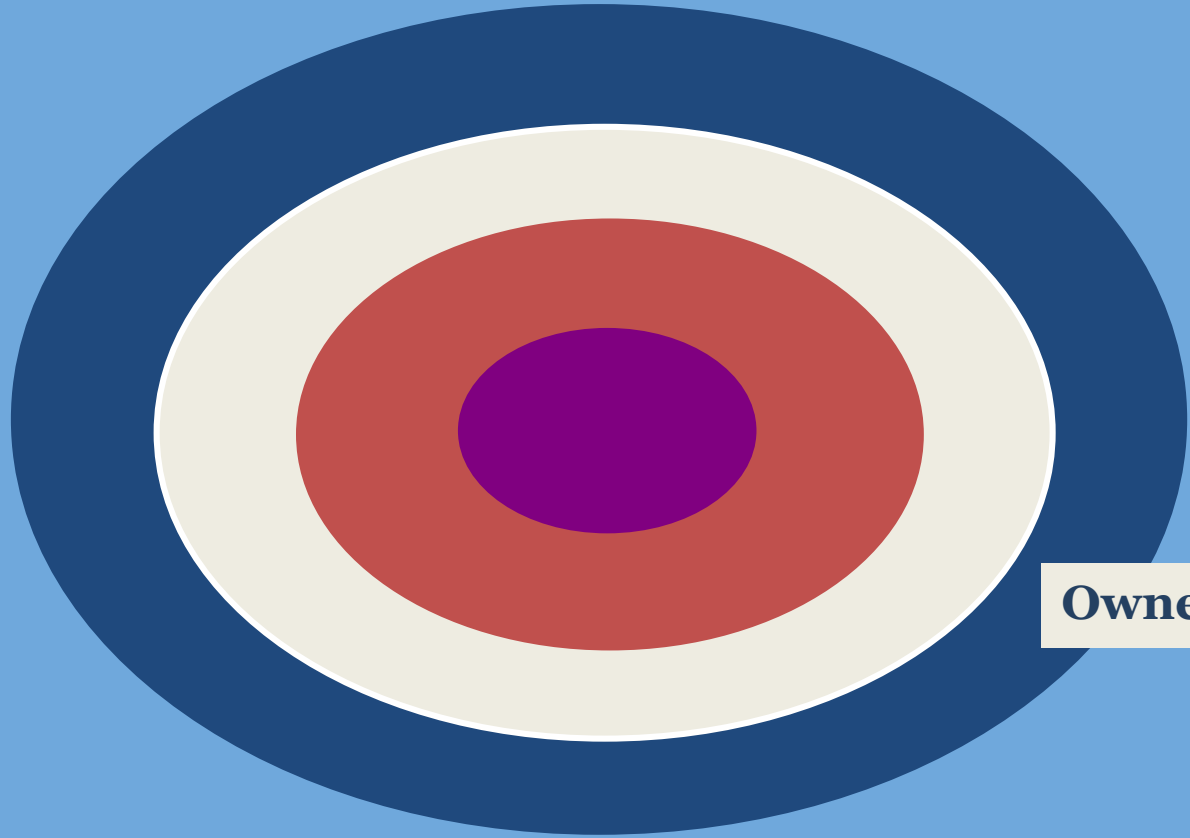
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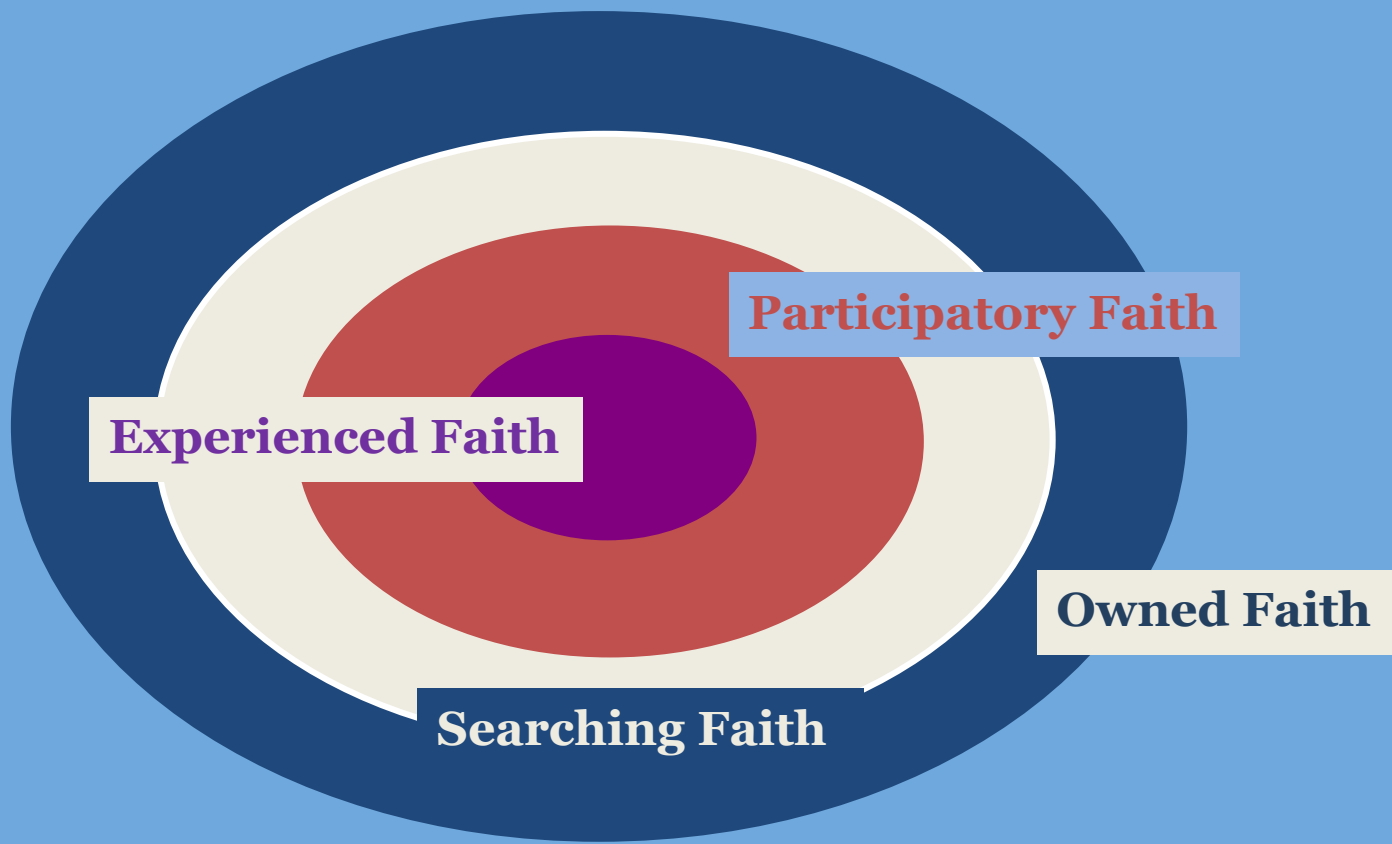
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Searching Faith



Owned Faith



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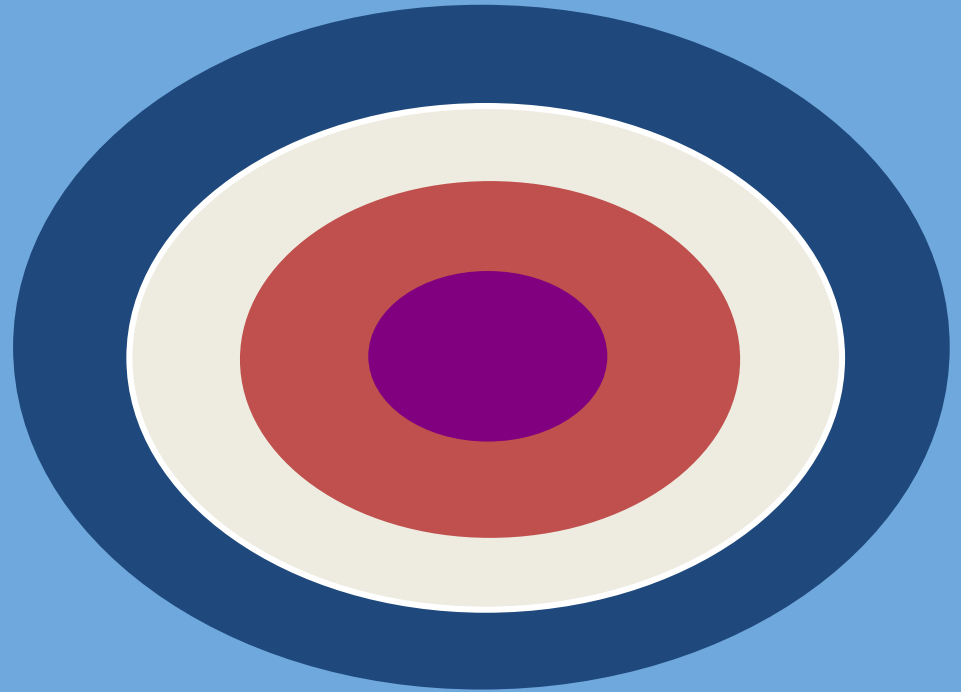
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What motivates a person to grow and change?

- When confronted with situations or problems which are not satisfactorily resolved by the present style and old answers?
- When confronted by role models or persons who are acting more satisfactorily in an expanded style of faith.

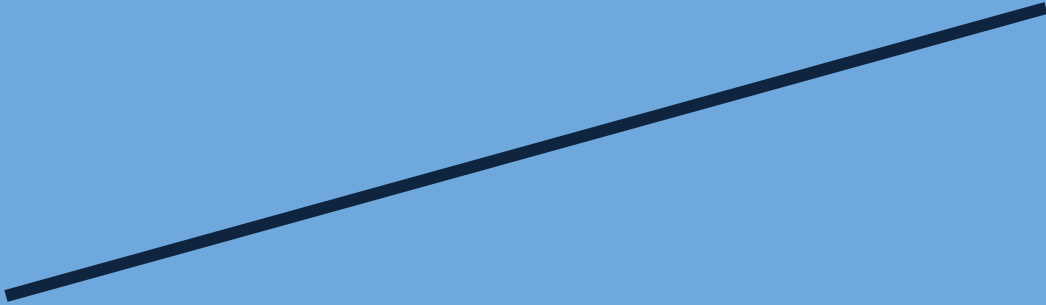
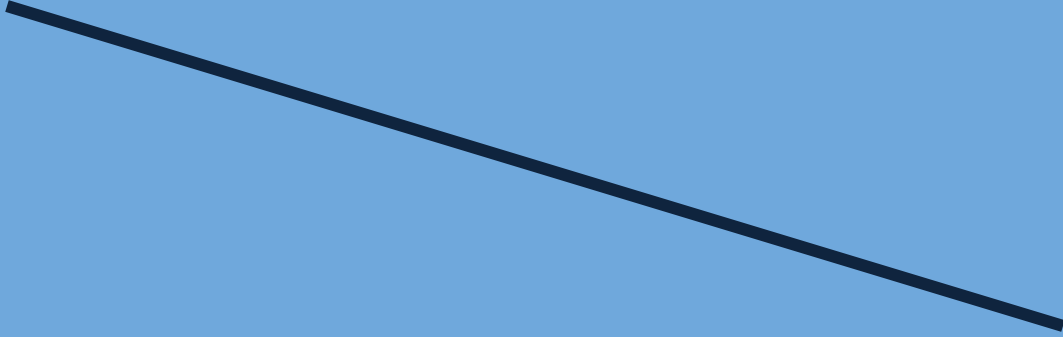


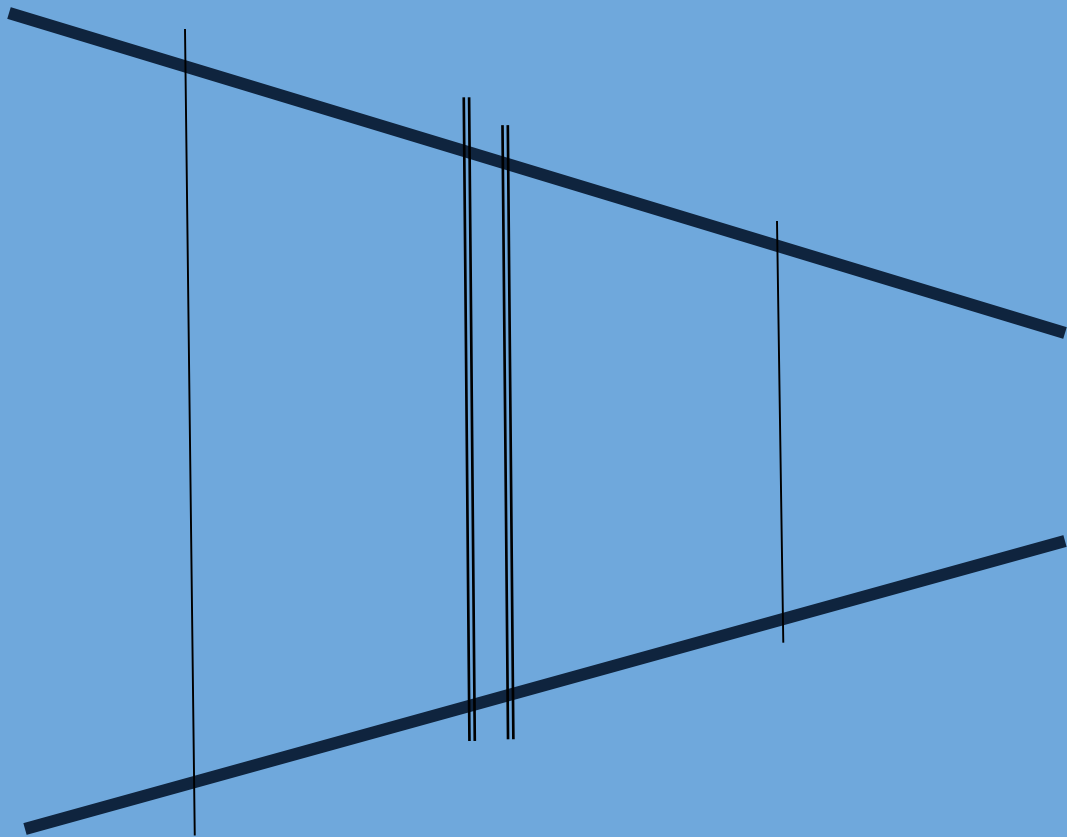
The Wedge

Original work by the Rev. Don Kimball

Adapted by Dr. Lisa Kimball

J.H. Westerhoff, III Will Our Children Have Faith (1976)





Welcome

Community

Catechesis

Action

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Core
Leadership



**Continuum
of
Community Involvement
& Social Change**

The Charity to Justice Continuum

CHARITY

give money

distance

immediate
satisfaction

focus on
problem

SERVICE

give time

temporary
contact

formational

focus on
persons

ADVOCACY

takes risk

changes
outlook

evangelistic

focus on
rights

JUSTICE

give
empowerment

develops
network

organizes
community

focus on cause
& system

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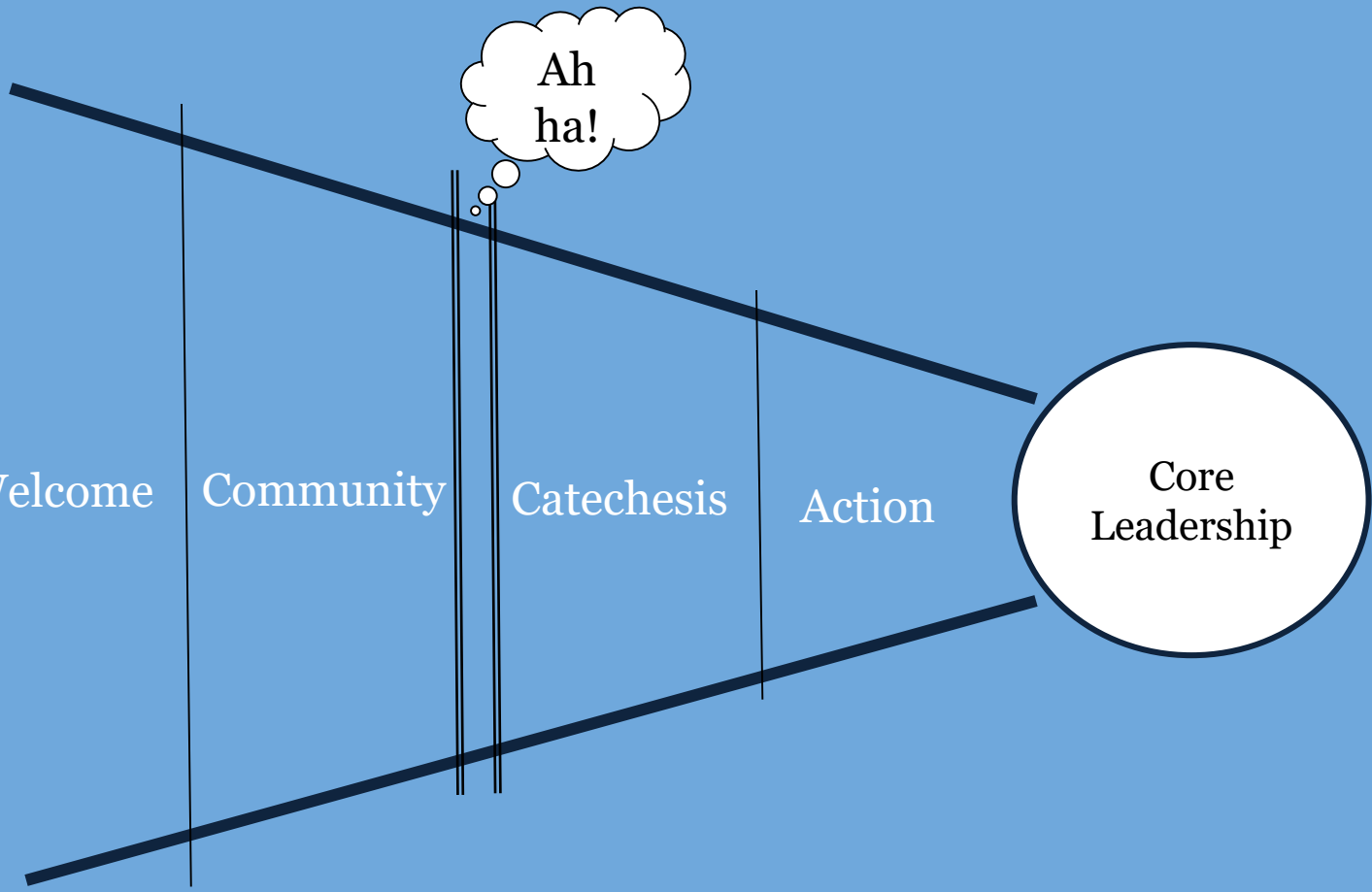
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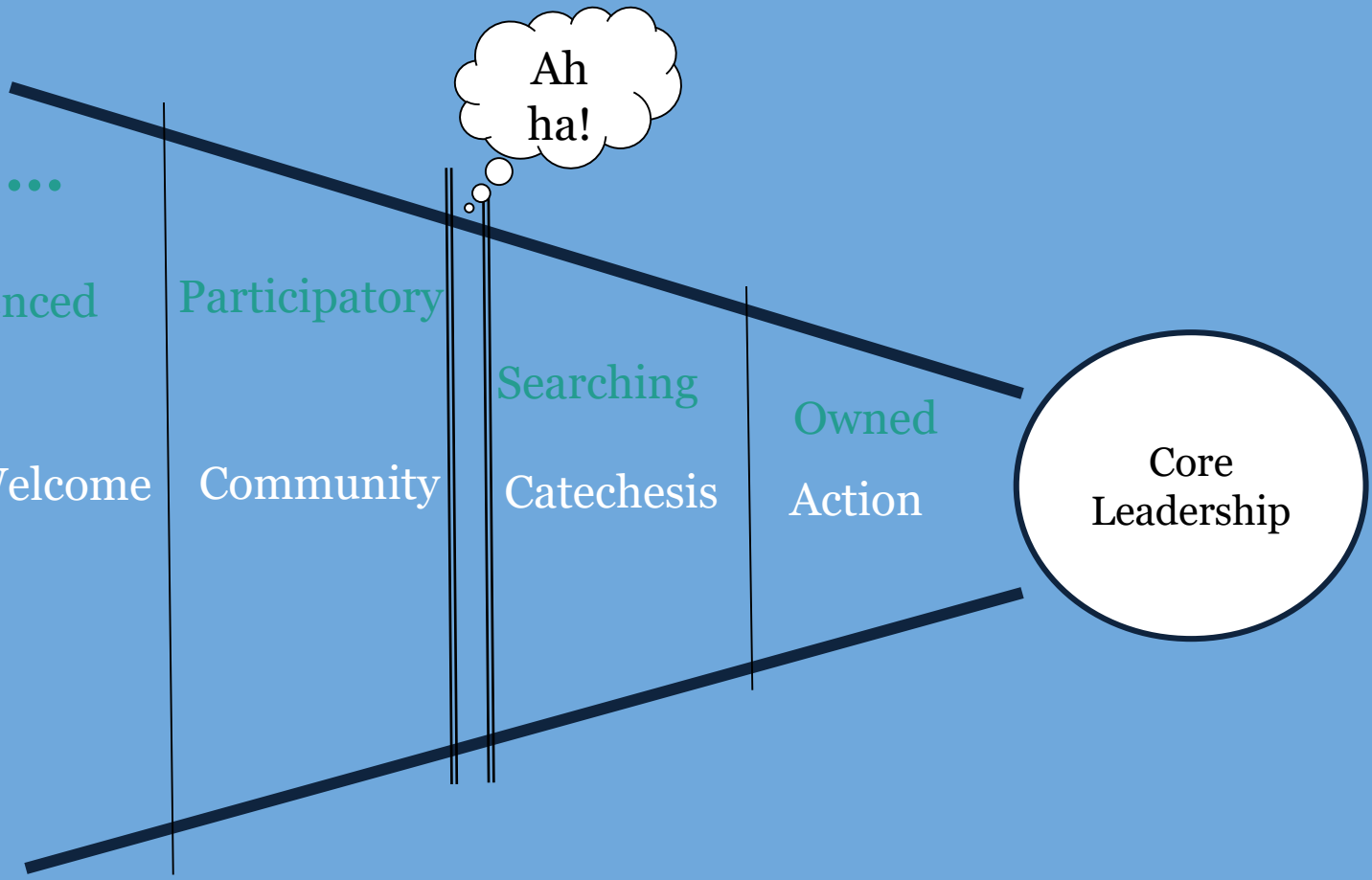
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Charity

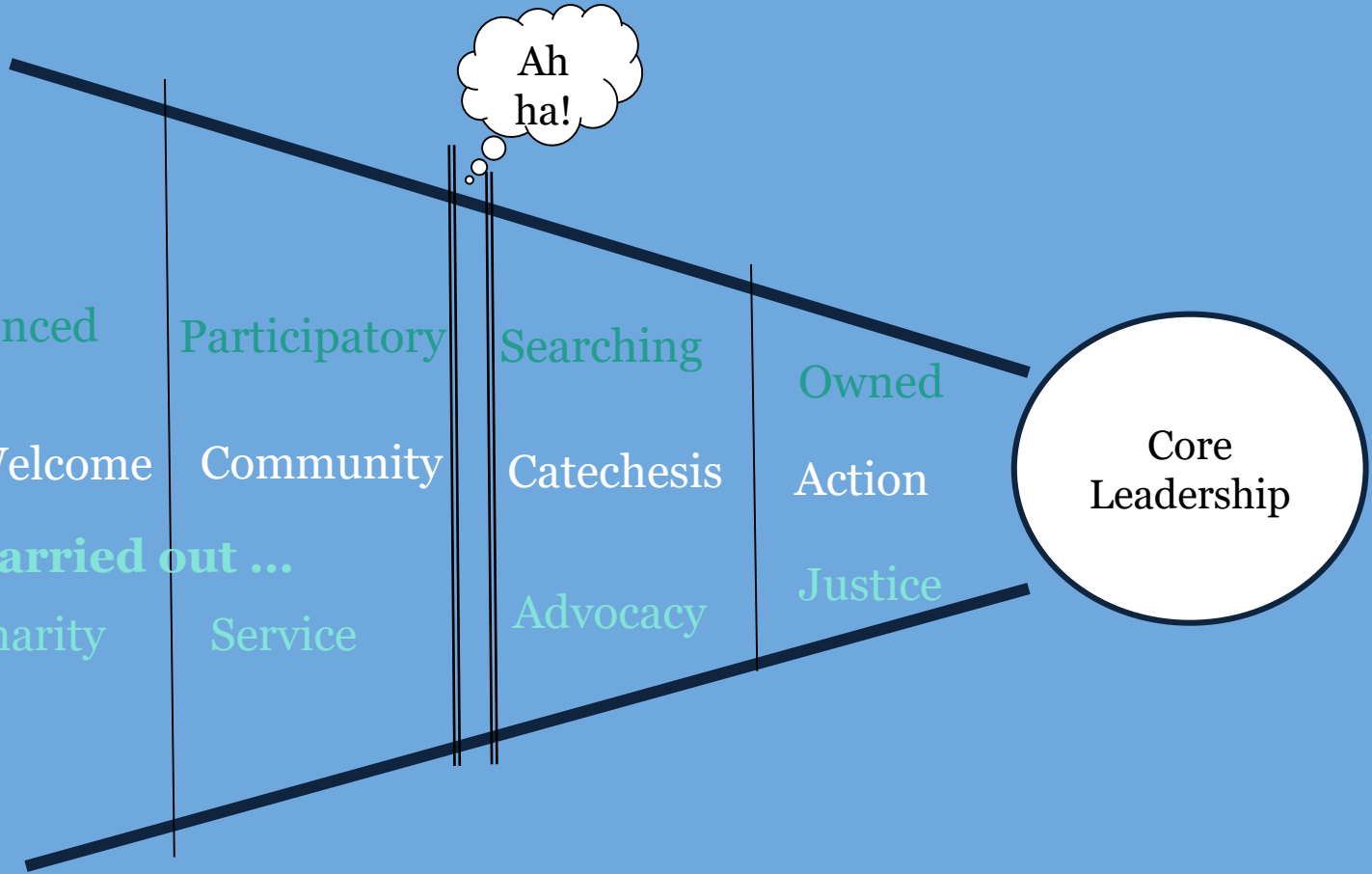
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Advocacy

Justice

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Show up

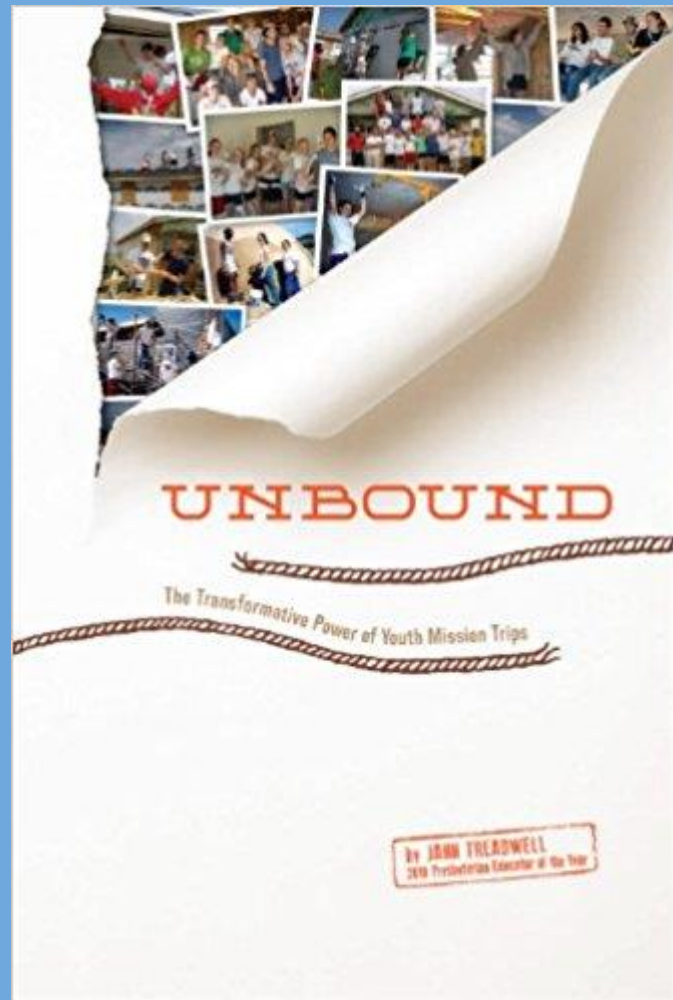
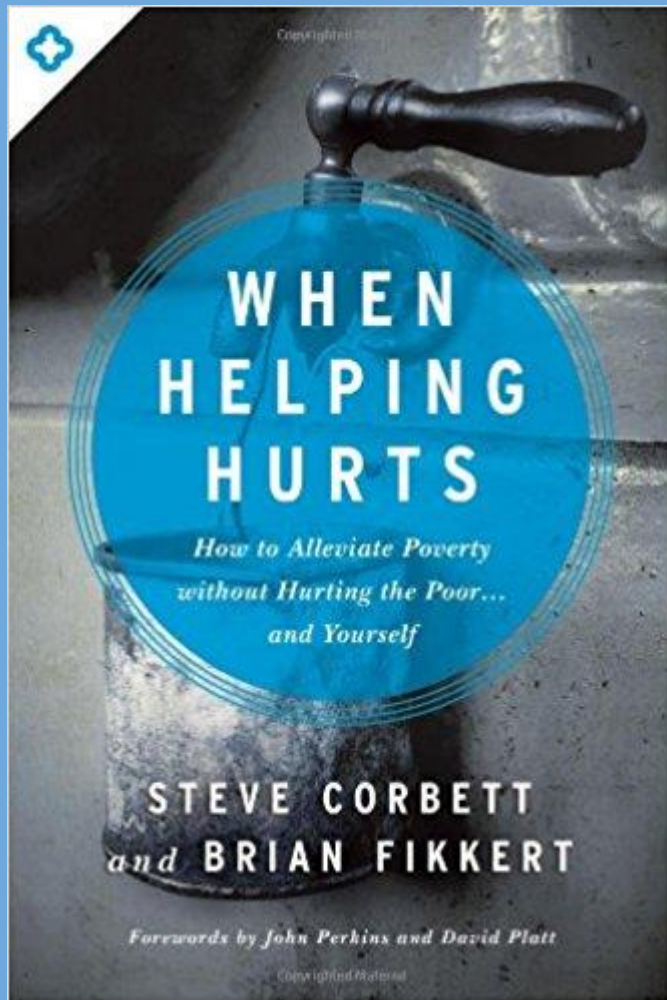
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