

Unitarian Universalist Small Group Ministry Network
Personal History Reclaimed
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Chalice Lighting

Don't forget - no one else sees the world the way you do, so no one else can tell the stories that you have to tell. Charles de Lint

Check-In

Readings

Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it. George Santayana

Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it without a sense of ironic futility. Errol Morris

To understand the living present, and the promise of the future, it is necessary to remember the past. Rachel Carson

To remember the past is to see that we are here today by grace, that we have survived as a gift. Frederick Buechner

Our lives, our stories, flowed into one another's, were no longer our own, individual, discrete. Salman Rushdie

Discussion

1. Would you like to go back in time to any year, historical or personal? Why or why not?
2. Is there any person, famous or from your past, you would like to talk to? What do you want to talk about?

Closing

First we only want to be seen, but once we're seen, that's not enough anymore. After that, we want to be remembered. Emily St. John Mandel from *Station Eleven*