

COMMITMENT?

- ▶ the state or quality of being dedicated to a cause, activity, etc
- ▶ What are some of the qualities we associate with Commitment?

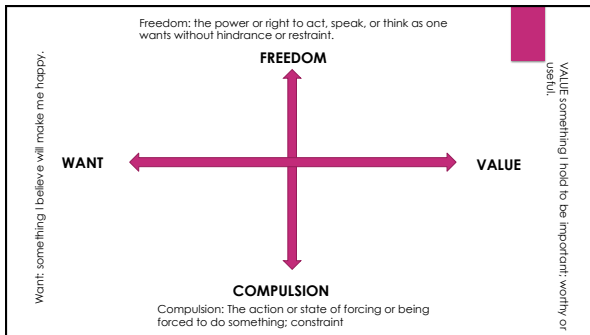
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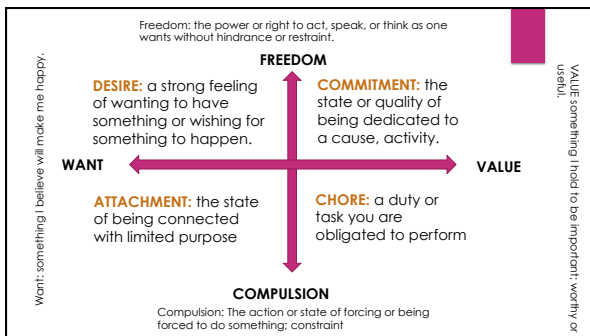
Compulsion: The action or state of forcing or being forced to do something; constraint

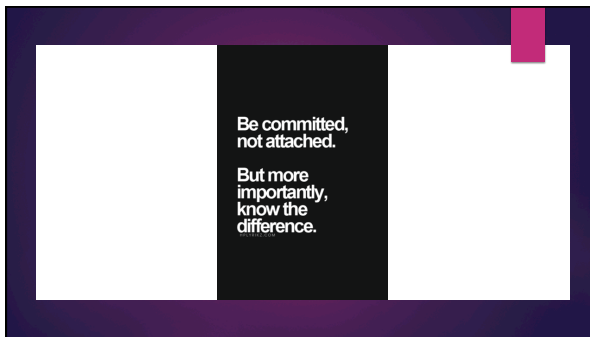
Freedom: the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint.

Want: something I believe will make me happy.

Value: something I hold to be important; worthy or useful.







Commitment is not an obligation or an imposition, it does not limit, it does not blame, it does not take away freedom, it does not manipulate or control.

Value
When something is of deep importance to us we will commit to it.



In freedom
I choose to do it not because someone is forcing me



Freedom is not the absence of commitment, but the ability to choose and commit myself to what's best for me.

Active
You see it through to the end
You persevere
You embrace the challenges and failures



Commitment = Persistence with a Purpose.

Attachment

I have limited regard for it – it does not engage me

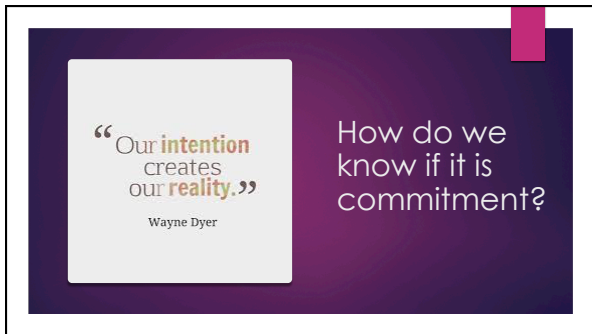


I do not actively choose it, therefore I can be quite passive about it



A cause without a purpose





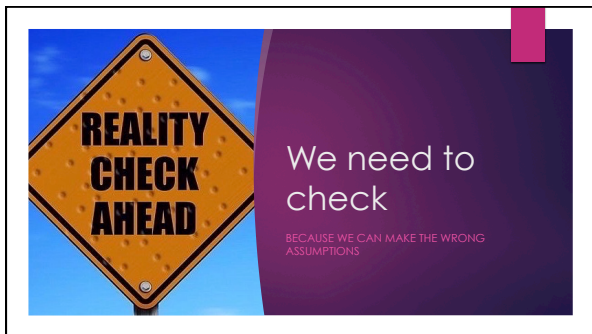
“Our **intention** creates our **reality.**”
Wayne Dyer

How do we know if it is commitment?



Do we know what others intentions are?

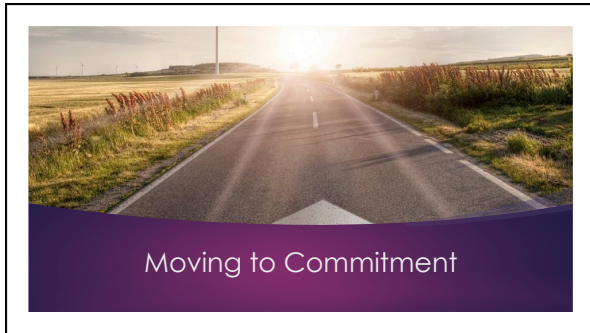
SOMETIMES - RELIES ON OUR RELATIONSHIP AND KNOWLEDGE OF PERSON AND SITUATION

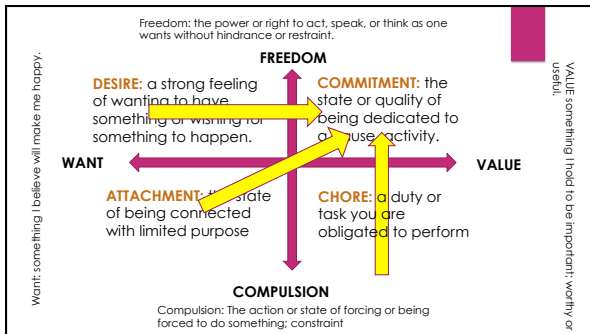


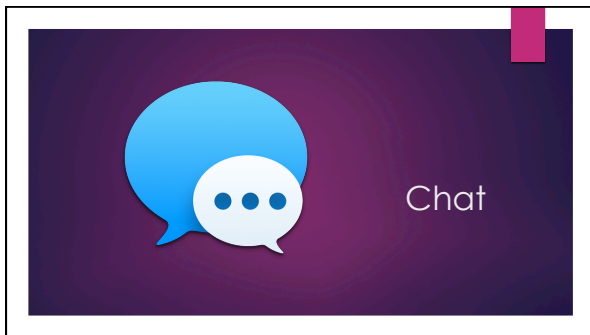
REALITY CHECK AHEAD

We need to check

BECAUSE WE CAN MAKE THE WRONG ASSUMPTIONS

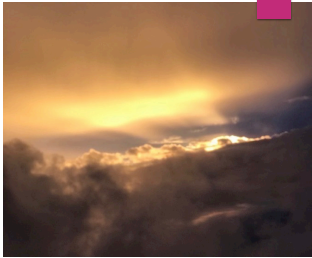






In Jesuit Education - Commitment is something more – it is about finding meaning in what we do – finding God in what we do

- ▶ Personally
- ▶ Professionally





MAGIS
Latin word meaning "more."

Magis embodies the act of discerning the greater good in a given situation to better glorify and serve God. It does not mean to always do or give "more" to the point of burnout.

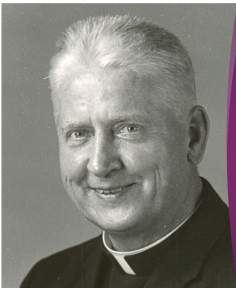
Magis is the value of choosing the more loving option.

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Commitment is about MAGIS



Commitment is being other centered




Walter Ciszek, SJ: A Jesuit On The Frontiers
4th Nov 1094 – 8th Dec 1980

<https://www.jesuiteducation.com/walter-ciszek-commitment/>

A person of **commitment** is one of courageous action, able to discern the urgent needs of our times, so that our ways of serving will be as rich and deep as our ways of loving



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To educate a committed person.....

According to the Ignatian perspective, will require schools to provide students with transformative experiences to help them form expansive hearts and minds, real persons of solidarity with all those in suffering, disadvantage or oppression.

We need to educate by example.

Exercise: using the sheet provided

- ▶ How committed are YOU as an Ignatian educator?
- ▶ Is it truly commitment – or an attachment, desire or chore?



*Motivation is what gets you started.
Commitment is what keeps you going*

What steps can you take towards real commitment?
