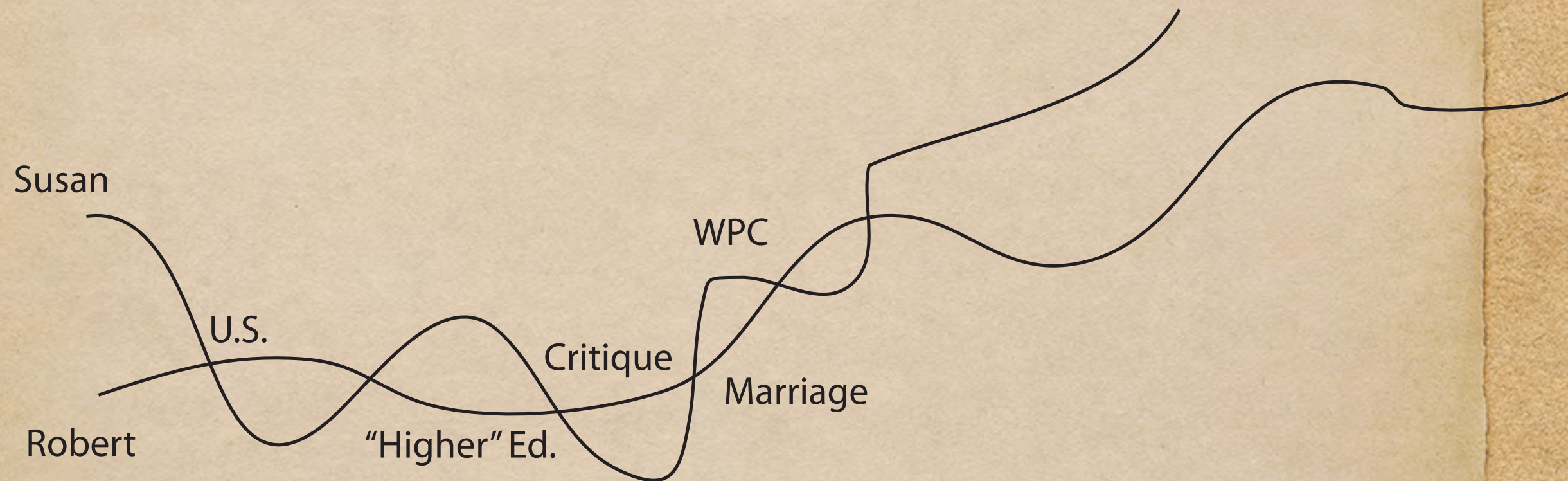


Locating ourselves amidst the wealth:

Creative approaches to intersectionality for
personal and social transformation

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who we are...



our paths with some places where we intersect...

what we hope to accomplish

- ◆ gaining language of the work
- ◆ self-reflection by presenters
- ◆ self-reflection by participants
- ◆ connecting our selves to world

language of the topic

- ◆ intersectionality
 - ◆ race, class, gender, place, ability, age,
- ◆ settlement
 - ◆ settler, colonization, conquest
- ◆ decolonization
- ◆ ethnoautobiography
- ◆ social transformation

Susan...

my family is from this town: Dayr Dibwan, District of Ramallah

Occupied **16,744** days ago (1967)



nabi salah is a town where they protest every Friday.



Palestinian Woman hugging olive tree to save it from being uprooted by the army - Reuters

One example of Susan's relationship
with settlement in Palestine...



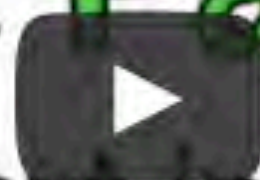
A settler spraying a Palestinian Muslim woman with wine at Hebron old city market

Israel and Palestine, an animated introduction.



Israel & Palestine:

A Very Short Introduction



robert...

I was born in this town: Philadelphia, PA

Occupied **120,815** days ago (c. 1682)

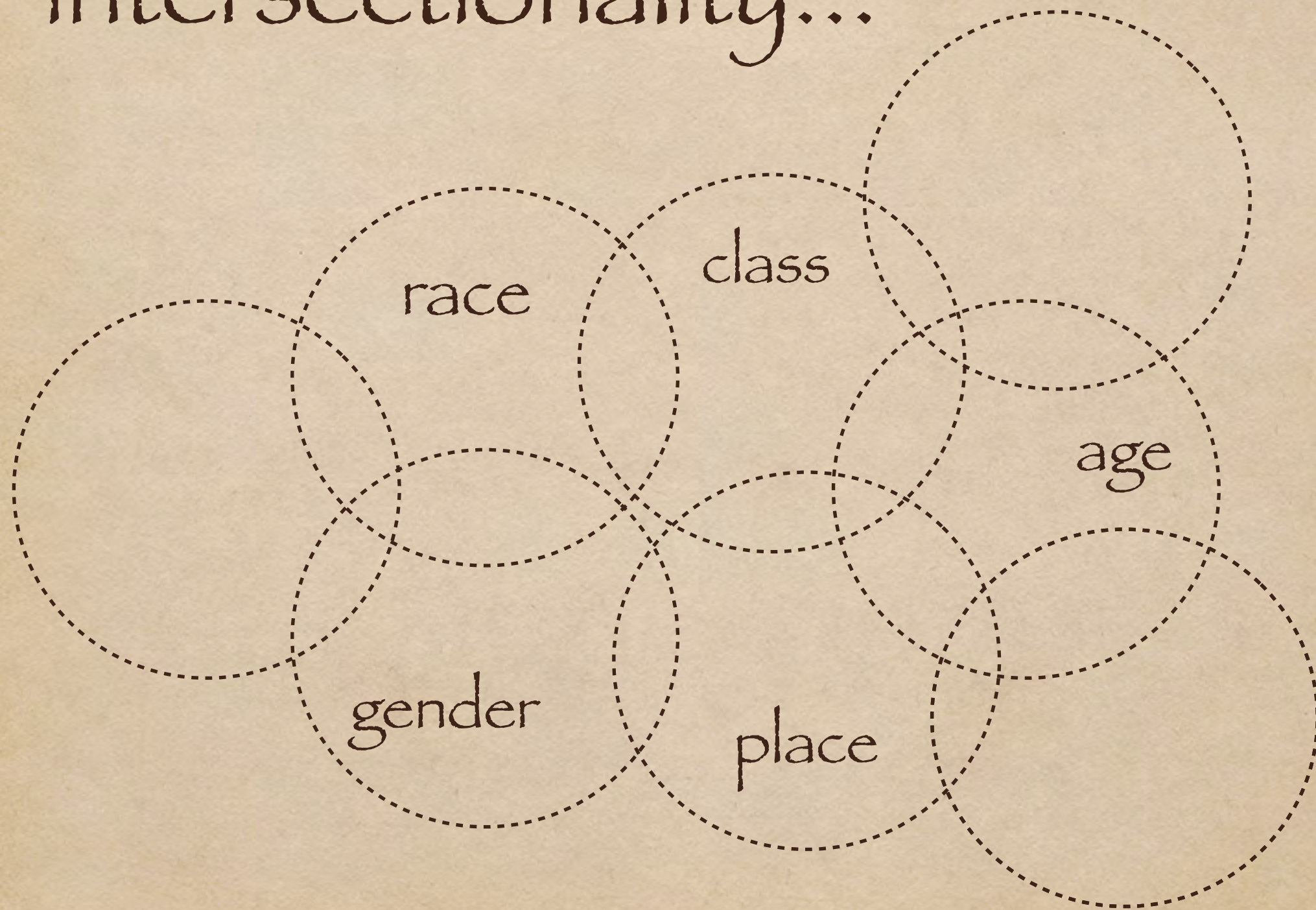


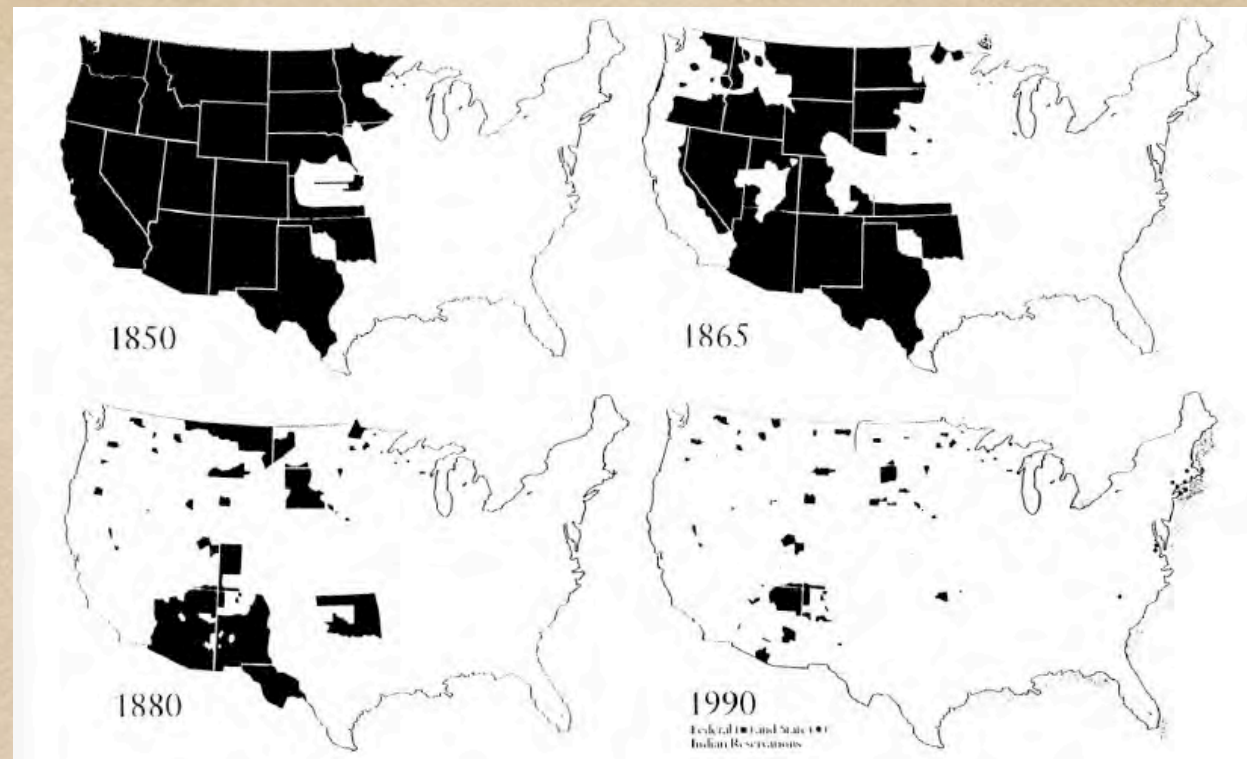
Tamanend statue, Philadelphia



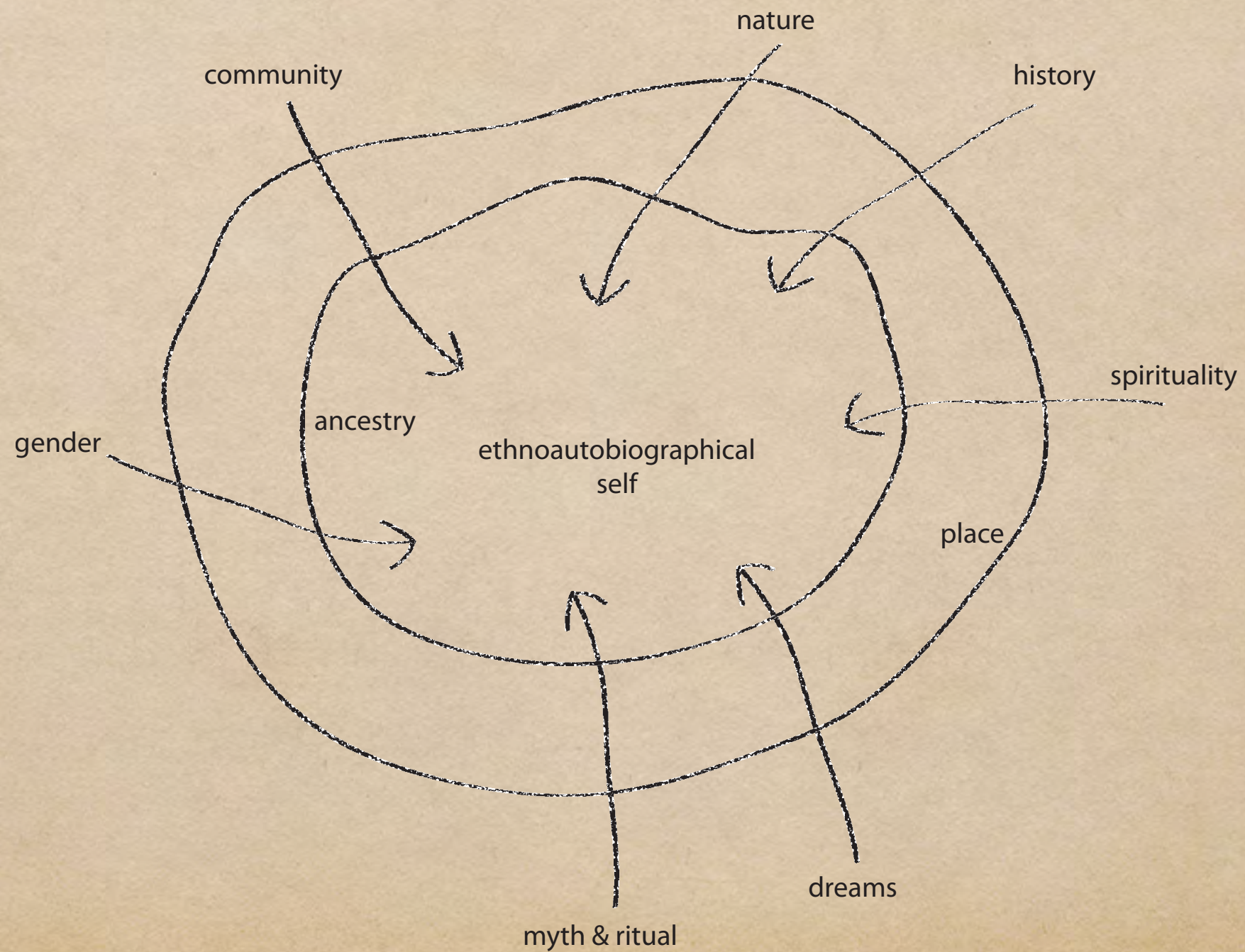
Cynthia Ann Parker & Prairie Flower

intersectionality...





ethnoautobiography



Kremer & Jackson-Paton (2013) Stories of decolonization, autobiography & ethnicity

self-reflection activities

- ◆ self-portrait (collage)
- ◆ storytelling (spoken word)
- ◆ ancestry (family tree)
- ◆ place (where you live)

from self to the world...

- ◆ Self-discovery connects;
- ◆ Creative expression of our stories offer access to varied intersections;
- ◆ Both self-awareness and plans for social transformation;
- ◆ A key ingredient of colonization — what we actively critique — is disconnection;
- ◆ Intersectionality and decolonization repair relationships with self and other.

where are we amidst the wealth...

White children, in the main, and whether they are rich or poor, grow up with a grasp of reality so feeble that they can very accurately be described as deluded—about themselves and the world they live in. . . . The reason for this, at bottom, is that the doctrine of white supremacy, which still controls most white people, is itself a stupendous delusion: but to be born black in America is an immediate, a mortal challenge.

—JAMES BALDWIN

Thank you!

- ◆ tig^wicid (Lushootseed)
- ◆ (Miwok or Tongva)
- ◆ t̥ra (Comanche)
- ◆ Kuunda (Tewa)
- ◆ Pidamaya (Dakota)
- ◆ Migwitch (Ojibwe)
- ◆ Ahéhee' (Dine)
- ◆ Wa'-do (Cherokee)

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- ◆ Pilamaya yelo
(Lakota)
- ◆ ¡Gracias! (Spanish :)
- ◆ Go raibh maith
agaibh (Irish)
- ◆ Shukran (Arabic)
- ◆ Toda (Hebrew)
- ◆ Giitu (Saami)
- ◆ Merci (French)

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