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Endnotes

¹ The term *stories to live by* is a narrative term for identity used by Connelly and Clandinin (1999) to demonstrate the connection between narrative and identity.

² Clandinin and Connelly (2000) describe interim research texts as “texts situated in the spaces between field texts and final published research texts” (p.133). Clandinin (2013) explains interim research texts as a way for researchers to “continue to engage in relational ways with participants” (p. 47) as they begin the task of analysis of the field texts. Ideally, interim research texts are negotiated and even co-composed with the research participants as the researcher and participants determine together how best to create a research text that is both authentic and compelling (Clandinin, 2013). Interim research texts, therefore, can often be partial texts that move the ongoing interpretation from field texts to the final research text (Clandinin, 2013).

³ Caine, Estefan, and Clandinin (2013) assert: “Often our understanding as narrative inquirers does not come instantaneously, or quickly, or by engaging in clever analysis. Instead our understanding deepens as we retell and relive our lived stories over time, place, and social contexts” (p. 581). My experience has certainly mirrored this sense of deepening rather than an epiphanal sense of suddenly seeing what was unclear before. This deepening of understanding occurs as part of the process of the relational research that is narrative inquiry.