Identity vs. Confusion: How Faith and Doctrine Impact Identity Formation in Adolescence

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Jane Shoemaker earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Shawnee State University in 2007. She earned a master's degree in sociology from Ohio University in 2010. Her current research investigates the role of faith and doctrinal beliefs on identity formation in adolescence. Specifically, the role faith and doctrine play in overcoming the crisis of Identity vs. Confusion in Erikson’s Eight Stages of Psychosocial Development.

Presentation Summary:

Shoemaker investigates how one’s faith and belief system enables teenagers to meet the psychosocial developmental challenge of forming an identity vs. being perpetually confused.