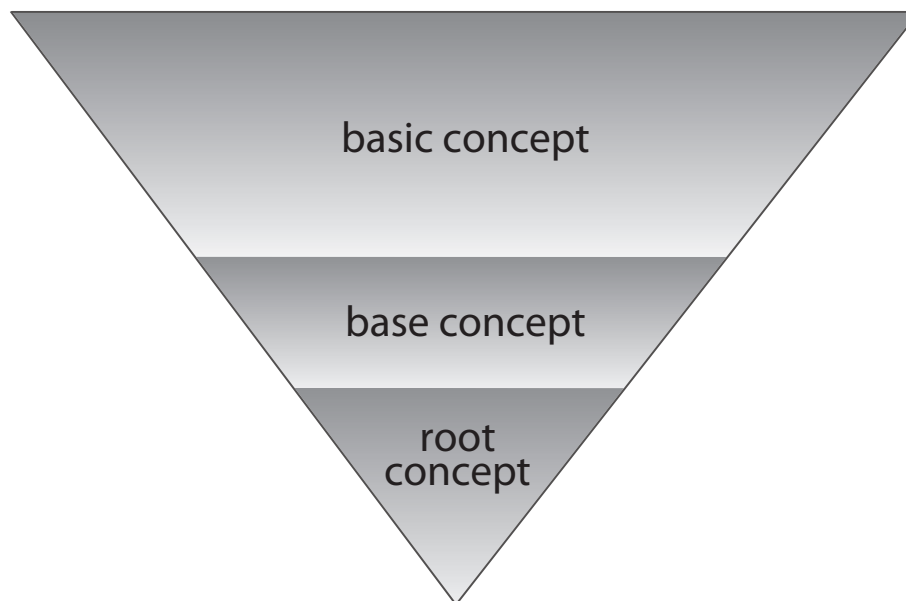


## Structure of the Identity Development Concepts

The form and structure of these concepts parallel the natural sequence of how all knowledge is acquired; they lead from the simplest to the most complex.

In building knowledge it is ideal to start in the most fundamental place and that is the Root Concept . The Root Concept exists by itself as a natural law. Once this is established, then a Base Concept can be added.



The Base Concept is the way we as human beings experience a natural law. It then acts as a foundation for a number of Basic Concepts that form knowledge. These in turn become a foundation and structure for more Advanced Concepts that could not exist without first the Root, then the Base, and then the Basic Concepts.

The Identity Development Concepts have five levels. We first need to establish three constructions of Root, Base, and Basic Concepts in order to support the level 4 concepts, which in turn support the most complex level 5 concept of responsibility.

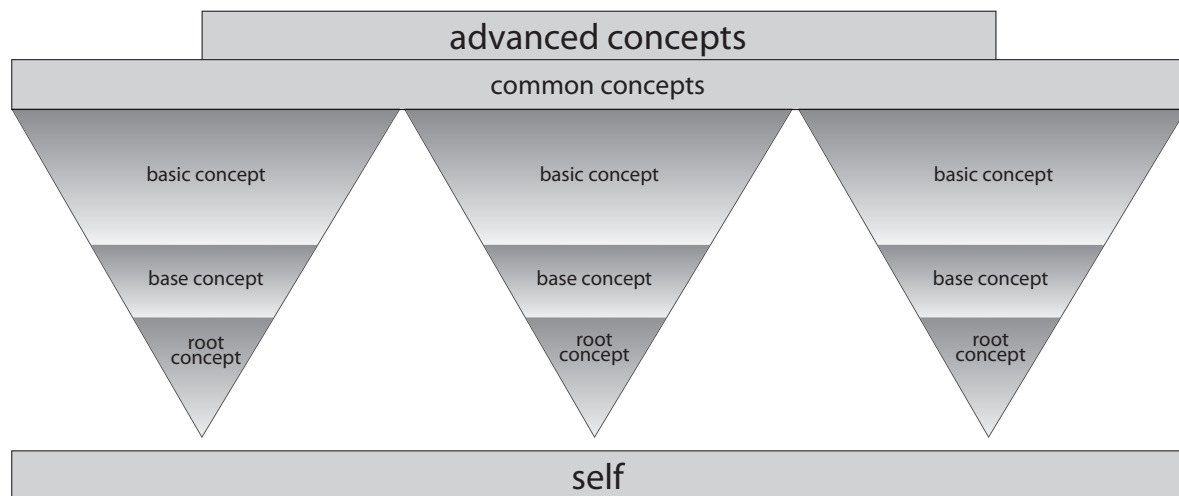
Level 1 - Root Concept – A single stand-alone natural law.

Level 2 - Base Concept – The way we as human beings experience the natural law.

Level 3 - Basic Concepts – The knowledge that is derived from a natural law.

Level 4 - Common Concept – A principle that requires at least two Root Concept based structures for support.

Level 5 - Advanced Concept – A concept that needs all three Root Concept based structures for support.



However, for any of this to take place, the Root Concept must first have a place to take hold. It must be rooted in *self* in order to take hold and grow.



*“There was no sense of being an individual, so there was no ‘me’. There was nothing to have a sense of identity. Without a ‘me’, there was no basis for memory or knowledge.” – Ron Davis*

### The Basic Strategy

The underlying strategy behind this approach is simple. If you eliminate the reason why a problem exists, the problem will cease to exist. Therefore it is vitally important that you follow the sequence as it is laid out. If you skip over something or leave a step or stage undone, all progress will end there.

However, if you happen to make a mistake and leave something important out, it’s not the end of the world. A problem will have been created because of leaving something out – but as I said earlier, “If you eliminate the reason why a problem exists the problem will cease to exist.” So, the answer is simple – add in what was left out, and pick up again at that point.