



From RootsTech to Real Life: Turning Your Notes into Practical Steps

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Introduction

After all the RootsTech classes and ideas at the Expo Hall, you may feel slightly overwhelmed. Let's take some time to reflect on what you've learned. It's only after you internalize something that you have truly learned it.

Step 1 – Collect

- What notes do you have?
- What notes are missing?
- What classes stood out? Why?
- What didn't stand out?
- What ideas did you have?
- What were you inspired to do differently?

Step 2 – Reflect

Review your notes.

- Why did those things stand out?
- What connections did you make that you would like to continue?
- What insights can you glean about your family history research?
- What do you wish you could have done differently at this conference?
 - What do you need to do to start making those changes now?

Step 3 – Organize

- Create a new document or section of your notes
- Organize by actionability or categories
 - Quick tasks
 - Ideas to Explore
 - Insights

Step 4 – Strategize

To make those ideas happen:

- Who do you need to talk to?
- What questions are you exploring?
- What data do you need to gather to move forward?
- What time do you need to yourself?

Schedule that time in your calendar right now.