## Adults 'Becoming Better Ancestors' through Exploring Their Childhood Experiences with Human Dignity

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From working in a maximum security prison in the late 1960's and early 1970's, studying the world of work and prisons in the 1970's and 80's, exploring violence in the 1980's and 90's and the world of children in the 1990's until today, Lucien Lombardo has learned that the road to human dignity, peace and justice starts in childhood: the childhoods of today's adults, the childhoods of children with whom today's adults interact, and the childhoods of the adults today's children become. Starting with this intergenerational perspective on childhood, Lucien Lombardo shows how having today' adults discuss their childhood experiences with human dignity (supports for and violations) provides a foundation upon which the road to becoming better ancestors can be built.