The Trinity

Christians aren't the only religion with a holy trinity. The Church of Reality has a Holy Trinity too, but our trinity is reality based. Our Trinity is:
- The Past - (Father)
- The Present - (Son)
- The Future - (Holy Spirit)
What's interesting is that it is remarkably similar to The Catechism of the Catholic Church which states "It is the Father who generates, the Son who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds." It's almost scary how this all fits together.
The Past
In the Church of Reality The Past is the some total of all events that has happened in the universe since the Big Bang. All of the events of the past led up to our creation. (The Father) The past generated the present. (The Son) We are the result of the sum total if all past event. (Begotten) From the perspective of Calculus the present is the integral of the past. The Past can not be changed. What we do becomes what we have done.
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The Present
The Present is what we call the {In:Sacred Moment}. It is where we live. It is the latest page of {In:Our Story}. It is where our free will lives. It is what we choose our destiny. It is the think line that separates The Past from The Future. In The Present we move through time. Every new moment adds to The Past. Every choice we make affects The Future. In calculus, The Present is the derivative. The Present is the transition from where we have been to where we are going.
The Future
The Future is what proceeds. It is the great mystery of what will come. It contains all of our possibilities. The Future is what we create. It is what we are building. Those who came before us created us. Likewise those who come after us will be created by us.

There are two views of the how The Future works. If we live in a deterministic universe where we are the mathematical http://www.churchofreality.org/wisdom
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progression of all the events of the present then we are like a movie that has already been written. Choice is only an illusion. However if we live in a non-deterministic universe where the universe is some kind of nonlinear equation with fractal properties that are randomized at the quantum level then what we choose matters.

If we make the right choices we might evolve into something we consider paradise. ({In:Heaven}) If we make the wrong choices then our future will be bleak. ({In:Hell}) Or we might even become extinct. Forever separated from Reality.

Since our choices control The Future and we have to live with the results of those choices then The Future takes on a special religious significance to Realists. That's why we call The Future the {In:Sacred Direction} and that we commit ourselves to the {In:Principle of Positive Evolution}. Our commitment to positive evolution would be analogous to the "Holy Spirit" who proceeds.