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I made this tree to help
clarify my thoughts about
what parts of my life
contradict the idea that I
should default to tradition
unless I have better ideas
than tradition.

What parts of my life
contradict the idea that I
should default to tradition
unless I have better ideas
than tradition?

Potential problem: Maybe I don't
understand the concept of
tradition enough for this project.

Examples where I think I should
default to tradition because my
reasoning is not better than
tradition:

Potential solution: I don't need
to understand the concept of
tradition as well as it is best
understood (FI vet level), in
order to use the concept of
tradition for every single use
case. I do understand it some,
and maybe this particular use
case is one that my
understanding is good enough
for.

Potential solution: Anytime that I
think there is a potential
contradiction between **some
concrete part of my life** and **the
idea that I should default to
tradition unless I have better
ideas than tradition**, I should
expose my reasoning to get help
from experts on reason (FI
experts).

Example: I'm not an expert at
learning how to improve my
reasoning skill, so I should
default to the experts on that
(that is FI experts). I should
learn how to reason by taking
advice from experts even if I
don't fully understand why that
advice makes sense. (I have
done this in the past but my
guess is that I don't do it in all
the cases that I should do it.)

Example: I didn't do flu shots.
Doing flu shots is tradition. And I
didn't/don't know enough about
it to claim that my plan is better
than tradition. (I have since
gotten flu shots.)

Example: I didn't do annual
health checkups with physician
from like teenage age to age 41.
I thought only younger and older
people need annual checkups. I
learned that it is recommended
for everyone, at any age, to do
annual checkups. (I have since
started doing annual checkups.)