

Individual and Family Development

Week 3 Homework

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Development Theories/ Becoming a Parent - 3 Points

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Chapter two of Grief and Loss Across the Lifespan discusses grief during perinatal. I could relate to La Vonne's situation. Losing a baby is a devastating situation. I had four miscarriages before I had my two sons. The woman's attachment to her baby is profound in many ways that people around not understand. That is why many words and counseling ministry to a mother after his painful situation is crucial. Especially when a pregnancy is desired, the psychological effects will bring closeness to the mother and the baby. Society, in many cases, reinforces that pregnancy should receive more attention closely to the delivery time.

The Journey across the Life Span brings a broadened understanding of the prenatal and the life of a child during his first year of life. It discusses the importance for the mother to receive proper medical assistance to understand her pregnancy and the development of her baby. The mother should have support from her husband, family, and friends to be ready for the transitions and new challenges the new will bring.

The Myth of Closure brings the most profound view of death. The ambiguous loss. It involved so many types of loss at the same time. No words can express the loss of a loved one that you can mourn or can see anymore. I have been with many families and friends during the most challenging times of their lives when we lost a loved one. There are no words to say. There is no action you can take to calm the heart of a person that is losing a loved one. Many avoid that moment because it is too tough to bear, and they do not know how to deal with it. But I learned that silence is the best word in moments of loss. Just sit beside the person that is suffering; your presence will bring comfort to them. I learned that the most gift a pastor can give is becoming the example of Our Master Jesus, being present, be there for them.