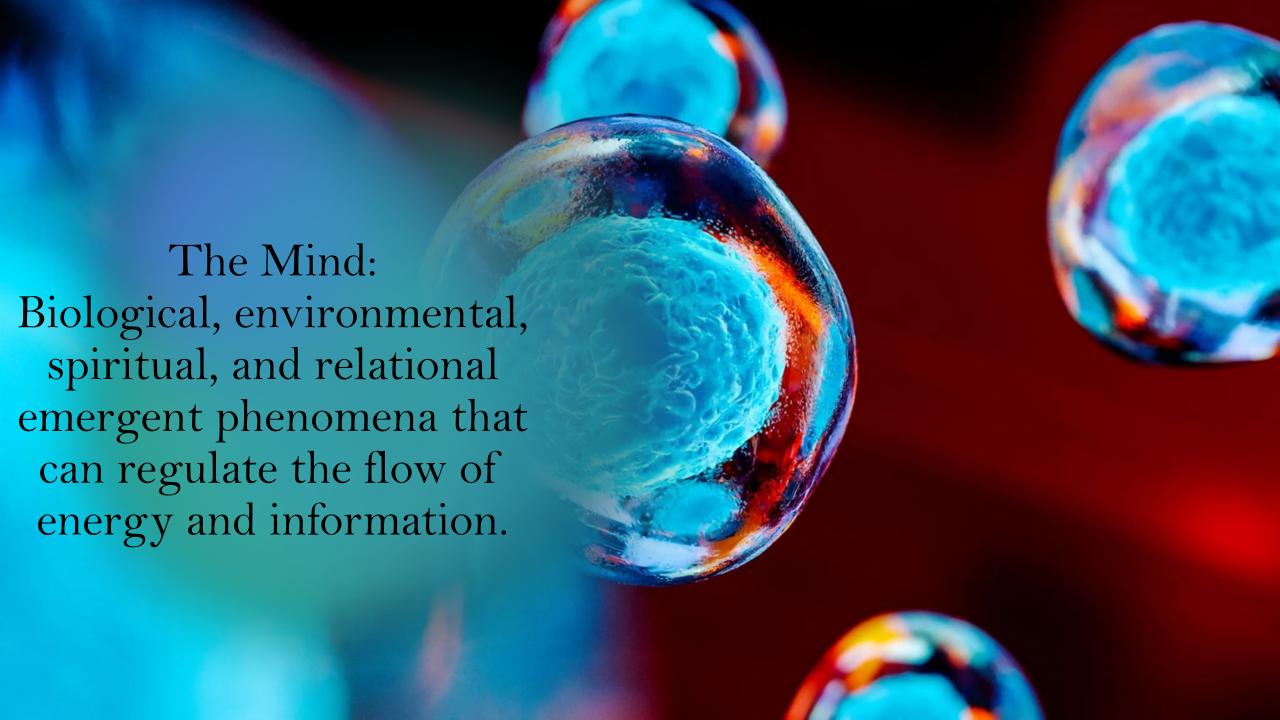
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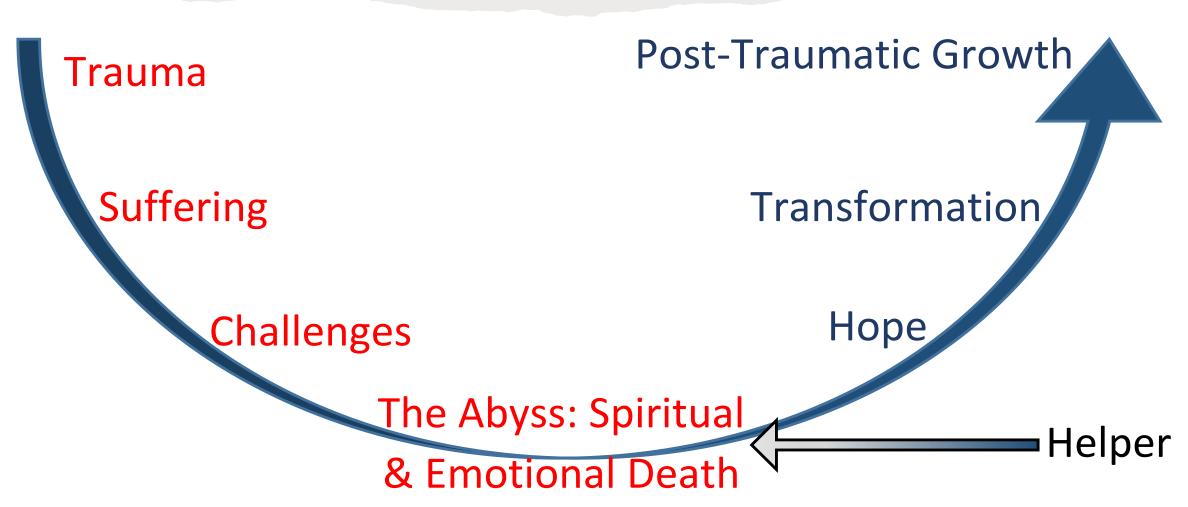
- Mindfulness
 - Practice: Awareness and control of energy and information
 - Skill: Ability to bring awareness and volition into real-life situations

- Trauma-Informed Mindfulness Practice
 - AVOID: quieting or emptying the mind
 - Active: counting breaths, mantra, prayer
 - Practice with the person for safety and to avoid retraumatization
 - Encourage short individual practices
 - Reinforce the benefits of struggling!



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Hope

MINDFULNESS TO MINDSETS



Hope: Resetting Personal Narratives

Anticipation of a better future and cessation of current pain and suffering activates the reward centers of the brain: Endorphin, Dopamine, and Serotonin

Role of helper: If trust is established, oxytocin (key to bonding) is also released, increasing sensitivity of the brain's natural opioid system to endorphins





Growth Mindset

"This growth mindset is based on the belief that your basic qualities are things you can cultivate through your efforts. Although people may differ in every which way...they believe that a person's true potential is unknown (and unknowable); that it's impossible to foresee what can be accomplished with years of passion, toil, and training."

-Carol Dweck



From Victim to Hero

FIXED MINDSET

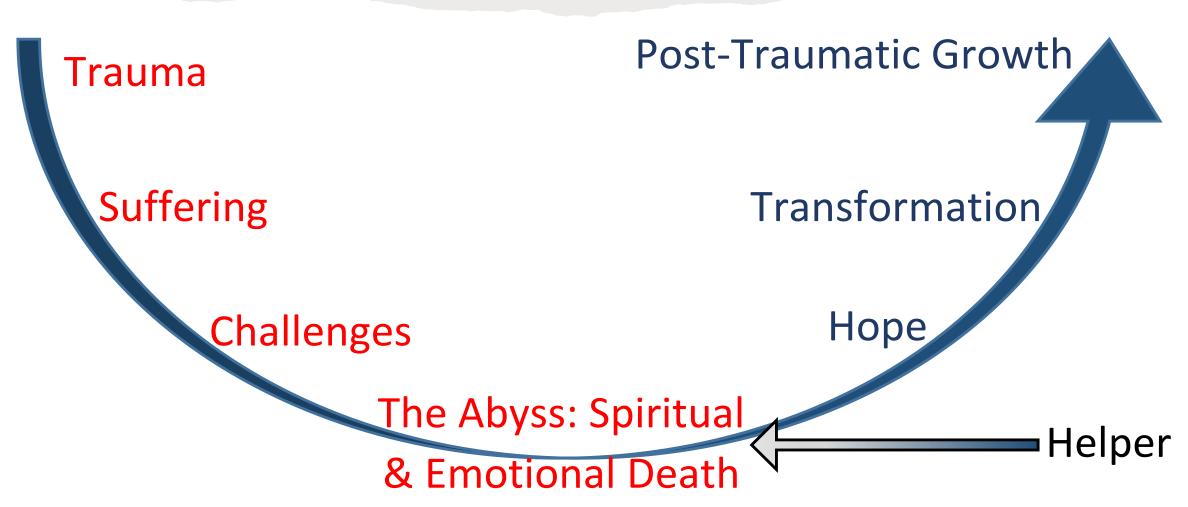
- Focused on being judged
- Trauma/situation bigger than self
- Increased depression/anxiety in face of hardship
- Belief that they are inferior
- Missed opportunities for growth and development

GROWTH MINDSET

- Focused on improvement
- Increased motivation in face of hardship
- Understand they have power in their outcomes
- Start taking on larger challenges

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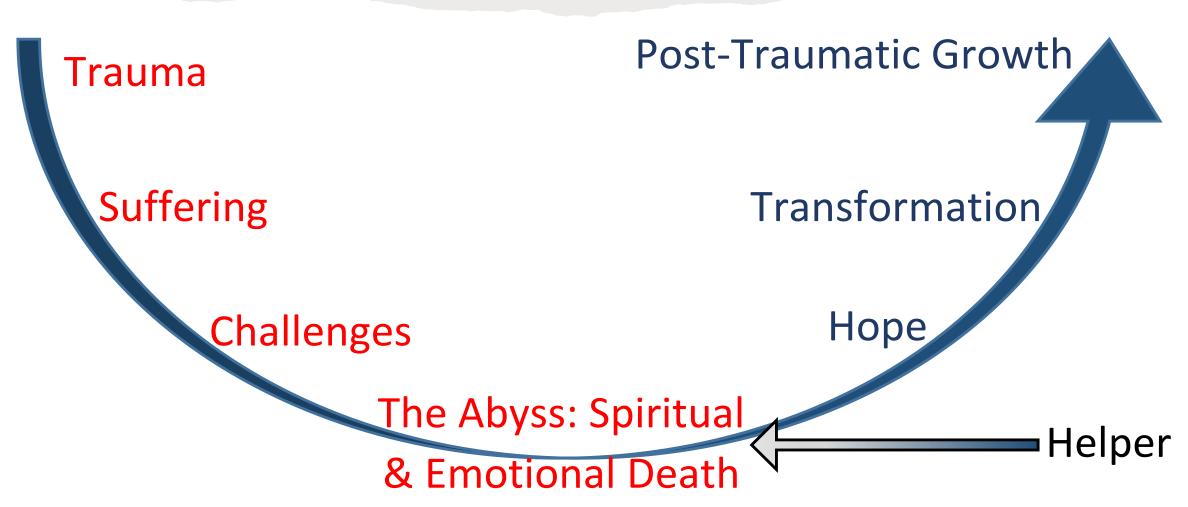
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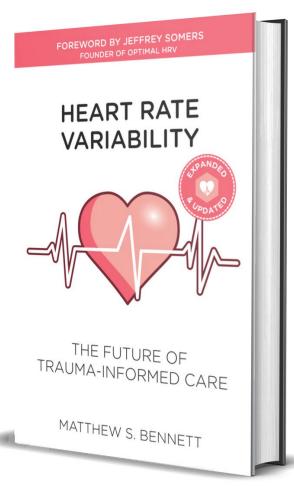




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