

## 1: Black Grief & Soul Therapy (June 1, edition) | Open Library

*Black Grief and Soul Therapy, like much of what is now called Black Psychology and Black Social Work, capitalizes on Ancient and recent African American history, theology of the "real Black Church", Black Culture and sheer good sense to carry forth a message of hope.*

Many say they keep expecting the person they lost to show up or even think they see them. These feelings are all very normal and can be expected of someone who has suffered a loss. Feelings of emptiness, despair, yearning, feeling lost, deep sadness, and loneliness are natural and healthy, even though they are very unpleasant. Because of these feelings, a person may cry a lot and have difficulty composing themselves enough to perform daily tasks, but over time this pain will begin to subside. We often replay our last moments together or the last words we spoke over and over in our minds, accompanied by feelings of guilt. People may also feel guilty for not doing something to prevent the death, even if there was nothing they could have done. Other people can experience guilt over feeling relief after a long difficult illness by a loved one. In other cases, a person may feel guilty when they start to move on or when they find themselves having a moment of happiness. You may feel the need to blame someone for this injustice – God, the doctor, the person who died for abandoning you, even yourself. Placing blame is a way that we attempt to transfer our feelings onto another person or source as we try to alleviate the sorrow we feel. Out-of-control anger can lead to a pattern of negative behaviors that can hurt your relationships, career, even your mental and physical health. The death of a loved one may cause you to question your own mortality or feel anxious about your life and the responsibilities you now face alone. If you were involved in the same traumatic accident or event that killed your loved one, you may experience post-traumatic stress disorder or replay the fear of the situation over and over in your mind. You may experience vivid thoughts where you imagine the same event as if it had happened to you. You may fear for the safety of your remaining family and friends and imagine terrible things happening to yourself or your loved ones. These feelings of fear and insecurity are a normal part of the grieving process. Common physical problems include fatigue, nausea, sickness, weight loss or weight gain, aches and pains, night sweats, heart palpitations, feeling faint or lightheaded, and insomnia. What is Grief and Loss Counseling? These emotions become less intense overtime and as you begin to accept the loss. In time, you will be able to move forward and find peace. Grief may feel like it will last forever and that you will never feel better. Each phase is painful and uncomfortable but moving through the stages of grief is the way towards healing. Instead, feelings of sadness, guilt, and anger will persist until a person eventually accepts and allows them. However, if you do not feel any forward momentum day after day, or your grief is getting worse, it may be a sign that grief has triggered a more serious mental health problem such as major depression or complicated grief.

### 2: Black Can Crack: Grief & Therapy -

*In Black Grief and Soul Therapy, Dr. Cooper-Lewter speaks of African Americans as members of a grieving culture, and the black church as a place grievers tend to go to get their needs catered to but not fulfilled.*

July 2, Black Can Crack: This week I sat with my college classmate and friend Bridget Anderson who has suffered the loss of her partner to police brutality. In when she was only 22 years old; her partner, Anthony Hill was shot and killed by a police officer while experiencing a bipolar episode. After this traumatic experience took place, her life did a complete She began to eat and breathe activism to fight for justice for Anthony. Constantly being thrown in the spotlight for news interviews, meetings, and conferences; the overwhelming position did take a toll on her mental health. I realized that therapy was an option for me when I started experiencing physical sickness. My mom suggested that I talk to someone and sought out a therapist for me. I am forever grateful for her suggestion. Never be ashamed to seek help. I even give them recommendations of black therapists, queer therapists, etc. My friends were amazing throughout the entire ordeal. My best friend, Payton was waiting on me when I got home with hugs and a shoulder to cry on. When I texted my other best friend, Ashley â€” she dropped everything and drove straight to Atlanta from South Carolina. The night it happened is still a blur, but what I do remember the most is having my girl friends around me to surround me with love. They took my mind off things with laughter and made me feel normal. Normalcy is just what I needed. My family members were my rock. My dad came the very next day and drove me to be surrounded by family. He wiped my tears away and gave me words of comfort. They had 2 other kids at the time. Babies are good for healing! Time has definitely healed my heart a lot. Georgia is a state where police officers get an immunity hearing. So, we moved forward last month with that hearing and are waiting on the Judge to decide if the case continues to go forward. I do believe that therapy has helped make the burden less heavier. She listened not only with open ears, but an open heart. Mental health is everything in the black community. It is still considered to be an inappropriate topic to discuss. They seek a doctor for help. After all, it is the most important organ in our body. It is very possible to have anxiety, depression, Bipolar disorder, etc. Talking to someone who has transparent values and an unbiased opinion of your life is so effective. I recommend it to anyone going through anything. Even if you feel completely happy in life, your therapist can be a great mentor in keeping you on track to your goals and dreams. To read her full story check out her interview with Teen Vogue here and other interviews here and here. She has made broken look beautiful and strength look invincible. Today she is happily living in Atlanta, Georgia with her girlfriend, Keyonna loving herself again more than ever and still fighting for justice for Anthony. You never how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have.

### 3: Black Grief & Soul Therapy by Nicholas C. Cooper-Lewter ()

*Black Grief and Soul Therapy is a monumental work that must be read, studied and practiced by all who would help heal our sacred and oppressive secrets in our collective past(The descendants of Chattel and masters, alike).*

Cooper-Lewter is the black Jung and the American Fanon. Cooper-Lewter speaks of African Americans as members of a grieving culture, and the black church as a place grievors tend to go to get their needs catered to but not fulfilled. As a people caught in the grief-cycle suffering all manner of spiritual abuse from others and all manner of soul drive-bys at their own hands, black folks need to recapture the ancient healing folk values of soul therapy. Jackson on Aug 04, Every so often this planet is blessed with a person who has special abilities of Hindsight, Insight, and Foresight. These abilities allow us as human beings to take a look in the mirror at ourselves as spiritual beings inhabiting this physical vessel. In this journey we call life one must take this look at ourselves no matter how painful it might be. Our greatest fear is being exposed or found out for our inadequacies. Yet it can be our greatest reward because it will allow us to face the realities of life. In turn this will allow us to enter into the realm of infinite possibilities and unlimited potential. Cooper-Lewter makes us as Africans in America face the mirror of our experience here. Although reading this book may be a painful experience for the reader, none the less it is a journey you will enjoy and must take if you want to reach your full human potential. He says that it was a process that made the enslaved African no longer see himself as a spiritual being but as a human being having spiritual encounters. This process has produced human beings who are shame personified and suffer from all forms of Grief. Cooper-Lewter in this seminal work shows us how this Chattelization process of our enslavement period still effects us even today. Because we have never dealt with our spiritual domination, destruction, and death in this country, we mistakenly looked to a place where we thought we could find sanctuary the Black Church. Because of the inherited deceptions in the Church, all too often the only thing we ever find there is even more grief and shame. But it is his Foresight, in giving us some direction in getting us out of the mess we find ourselves in that sets this book apart. Black Grief and Soul Therapy is a must read for those of us who want our people to move from the Hole-In-Our-Souls and a crucified state of being into healing and Resurrection. In order for us as Africans in America to rise above the ashes of our Maafa and move beyond to a place of clarity, we must all become Soul Therapists. Our congregation has taken on the challenge and chosen to develop "Passaged" Soul Therapists in the next Ten Years. Black Grief and Soul Therapy is a monumental work that must be read, studied and practiced by all who would help heal our sacred and oppressive secrets in our collective past The descendants of Chattel and masters, alike. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this great and mighty work. I highly recommend this book to the serious reader and practitioner of African centered thought. Cooper-Lewter in his succinct and well documented treatise on Black Grief and Soul Therapy speaks to the hidden pain and not so hidden struggling of a people who have never taken the time to sincerely grieve. The issues around self-worth and consistent feelings of the lack of personal value, pervades; yet Dr. Cooper-Lewter through Soul Therapy seeks those trapped in the malaise and provides a blue print to get out. Much of the social work and psychological literature written lately has not broken new ground of understanding, and especially when considering the problems of Black folk. Black Grief and Soul Therapy breaks that ground and cultivates the direction in which a people should grow. The Begining of Healing Holding this view Dr. Nicholas Cooper-Lewter does what any great doctor does. He gives his clinical observation on the condition of the African-Descendent community in America. Lewter describes the suffering of the human condition and the exacerbations of slavery on that conditioned culture and community. Lewter then asserts his diagnosis, then his prognosis, and finally his understanding that defines the problems of the community at large and sets forth alterative paths as solutions to the afflictions that plague the African-Descendent community and culture here in America. Lewter call these things as he sees them and makes no apology for the gross nature of the diseases, the afflictions, and the tolls they have taken on the persons, property, and principles on the lives of the people in the diasporas. He points to facts that have been to long ignored, and situations overlooked concerning the church and the people who have come to run them as sub-genres of their parent institutions. In his book, Dr. Lewter takes a

courageous stand that challenges the institutions, and our individual self to become more reflective and proactive in the recovery, re-identification, and reclamation of our very beingness. Lewter needs to be on stage at the Tavis Smiley tour bringing his message to the masses as many others have. This is a need to read, must practice, must seek out, and support all of the people who are healers within the African-Descendent communities. I am building a network of men and a class based on the theories of Dr. Wishing, Well-Being for Humanity in its Totality! May we all head onward in the Fifth-Direction Mr. The book gives caregivers the tool to work with the damaged souls of the people that they work with. This book also gives the reader a guide to live a more healthy life. I recommend the book strongly for all to read to better understand and face their fears about something talked about but never really put to words. Is this limited to black people? Amazing analysis By Amazon Customer on Apr 27, I learned of Black Grief and Soul Therapy while researching how black people respond to trauma and modern approaches to mental and physical healing. This little book is packed with concepts that are so easy to see in our everyday. For example, He observes that for black Americans the most common way to cope is entertainment. He also calls on us to move beyond the coping stages into a state of overcoming. But the master class is invested in re-traumatizing blacks through "ritual demonstrations" of power ie lynchings, Trayvon murder, women rape. As a trauma scholar, health advocate and community healer, I am buying more copies of this book for friends, students and anyone who needs to not just peel the onion layers of identity, but look at the soil and the conditions under which the onion has been cultivated. Not a light or happy read, but if you are working with black people, this is essential in facilitating true deep healing. Black Grief and Soul Therapy: A Long Awaited and Cooper-Lewter blesses his readers with his gift of genuine honesty which is presented with such dignified candor that his audience is granted the opportunity to be vulnerable with their selves while acknowledging their own unspoken truths. This work is truly, a healing balm for many a downtrodden souls. Add a Book Review Book Summary: This particular edition is in a Paperback format. It was published by Harriet Tubman Pr and has a total of pages in the book. To buy this book at the lowest price, Click Here.

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#### 7: Grief & Loss Counseling: What is Grief & How Do You Deal With It? « TherapyTribe

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