After Suicide: How Communities of Faith Can Help Reduce Suicide Contagion

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Why are conversations about the aftermath of suicide, and suicide behavior important?
Please describe your book and the best ways clergy, congregational leaders and community leaders can use this as a tool in the midst of suicide.
How does the nature of our messaging, and how we talk about suicide change after it’s actually happened?
Responding After Suicidal Behavior

- Be with them.
- Encourage them to be gentle to themselves.
- Encourage them to take care of their health.
- Know that because they are home from the hospital or back at work, they may still be suffering.
- Encourage them to communicate thoughts of suicide and express their emotions.
- Encourage them to find a support group, and stay in counseling.
What do family and friends need following the suicide of a loved one?
What are a few healthy theological perspectives about suicide that you’ve relied on in your own pastoring and or clinical work?
Can you name a few healthy practices that clergy can do after a suicide?
Get Help: Resources

Resources for the Faith Community

https://theactionalliance.org/communities/faith-communities

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www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org
Thank You!

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