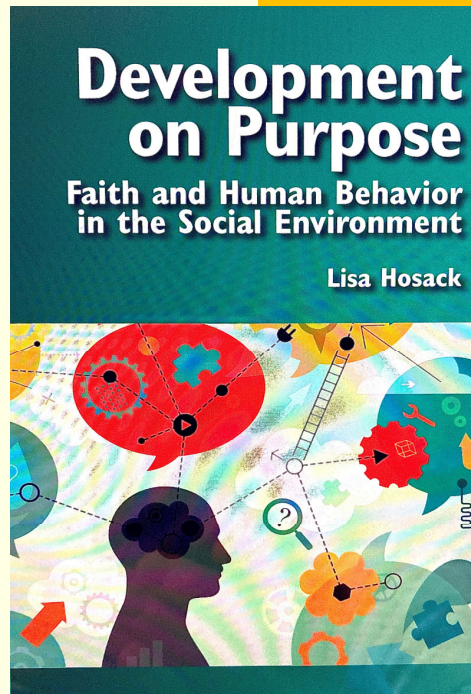


Chapter Three

The Perspectives of Social Work from the Lens of Faith



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The Biopsychosocial Perspective



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Its strengths

Holistic in nature

Captures complexity

Includes the spiritual dimension

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Its weaknesses

Descriptive and not prescriptive

Doesn't point to a goal or purpose

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Developmental Psychology

Rich organic harvest in one click



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Its strength

Offers many helpful
concepts for HBSE

Equifinality
Multifinality
Dev. pathways
Dev. cascades

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Its weakness

Incomplete; does not make room for the work of the Holy Spirit in bringing about change or radical redirection

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Lifespan Theory

Rich organic harvest in one click



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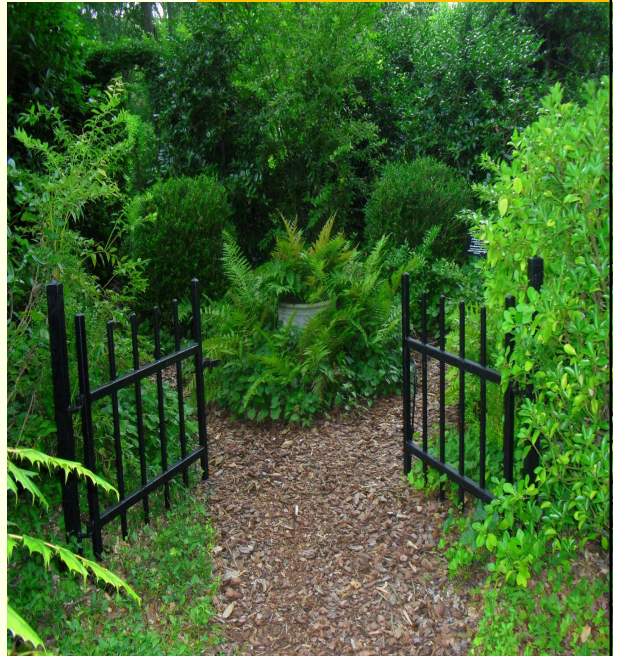
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Risk and Resilience Framework



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Its strengths

Helpful to assess
from a perspective of
risk and resilience

Provides direction for
specific interventions

Holds parallels with
biblical concepts of
sin, redemption, and
growth through
adversity

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Its weaknesses

Risk factors and
resiliency do not
explain everything

God strengthens us
during adversity

Strength can come
through weakness