The Effect of Logic Therapy Combined with Quran Recitation and Prayer on Depression Symptoms in Women with Major Depressive Disorder

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Abstract

Background and Objective: Major Depressive disorders are one of the most common and chronic disorders that require treatment. The present study was an attempt to investigate the effect of Logotherapy with Quran recitation and prayer on severity of depressive symptoms in women with major depressive disorder.

Methods: This study used a quasi-experimental pretest-posttest control group design. The statistical population included all women with depressive disorder in Qom in 2017. The sample population consisted of 30 women with major depressive disorder (15 for each group) and the participants were selected on a voluntary basis. They were randomly assigned to experimental and control groups. The instrument used for gathering data was Beck depression Inventory. The data were analyzed using ANCOVA. In the present study, all ethical considerations were observed and the authors reported no conflict of interest.

Results: In terms of severity of depressive symptoms, the mean scores for the experimental and control groups at the pretest stage were 35.80 and 33.60, respectively. Meanwhile, the mean scores were 19.86 for the experimental group and 32.46 for the control group. The level of depression remained unchanged in the control group but decreased in the experimental group at the post-test phase following the intervention, which was statistically significant (P<0.001).

Conclusion: The findings indicate that Logotherapy along with Quran recitation and prayer is effective in reduction of the symptoms of depression in women with major depression.

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Summary

Background and Objective

Depression disorder is the second major health problem in the world, in terms of the lack of ability caused by illness. It has affected more than 350 million people across the world (1). Based on national studies on illnesses and harms in Iran, depression is the third major health problem in the country (2) with a rate of 6.25% (3, 4). It has been reported to be more widespread among women than men (5). Depression disorder is a type of mood disorder characterized by at least a period of major depression without a manic

period. In this case, a state of boredom or lack of pleasure from life activities and four symptoms including lack of energy, increased or decreased appetite and sleep, reduced concentration, feelings of guilt or worthlessness, and suicidal thoughts is expected to last for at least two weeks (6). Therefore, considering the prevalence of depression in women and the need for studies on the therapeutic approaches that are appropriate to the socio-religious and social conditions of the community, the aim of the present study was to investigate the effect of Logotherapy along with Quran recitation and prayer on severity of depressive symptoms in the women with major depressive disorder.

Methods

Compliance with ethical guidelines: The ethical considerations in the present study included informed and voluntary consent of the participants, signing the written consent form, participants' awareness of the duration of the research, the method used and the potential benefits and disadvantages of the study and the right to withdraw from the study during the study and the intervention provided to the control group at the end of the research. Therefore, codes 1, 3 and 24 (subjects' consent) and also code 20 (consistency of the research with the religious and cultural principles) have been observed in the present study.

The present study is an applied research in terms of purpose and a quasi-experimental study with a pre-testpost-test control group design. The statistical population of the study included all women with major depressive disorder who referred to psychotherapy centers of Qom province in 2017. The sample population included 30 women with major depressive disorder selected using voluntary sampling method. They were randomly assigned to two groups (15 as the experimental and 15 as the control group). The experimental group received Logotherapy in addition to Quran recitation and prayer once a week for 12 sessions, and the control group did not receive any intervention. After completing the sessions, post-tests were administered to both groups. Beck Depression Inventory was used for data collection. Beck Depression Inventory is a self-assessment instrument with 21 items developed by Beck and colleagues in 1961. It measures the physical, behavioral, and cognitive symptoms of depression. The scores ranges from 0 to 63 ranked in a scale of 0 to 3. It reports various degrees of depression from mild to severe.

Results

Data were analyzed by using covariance analysis. The mean score for the experimental group was 35.80 and 60.33 on the pretest related to the severity of depression. On the post test, the mean score related to the experimental and the control group was 19.86 32.46, respectively. Following the intervention, the level of depression in the control group did not change, but the depression scores of the experimental group decreased. Thus, there was a significant difference in depression severity between the experimental and control group on the post-test (F=65.88, P<0.01).

Conclusion

The present study was aimed at investigating the effect of Logotherapy with Quran recitation and prayer on severity of depressive symptoms in women with major depressive disorder. The results showed that altogether, Logotherapy with Quran recitation and prayer has a significant effect on the severity of depression in women with major depression. In the present study, Logotherapy was integrated with the religious teachings of Islam and the results pointed to the effectiveness of Logotherapy when combined with the Qur'an recitation and prayer in reducing the severity of depression.

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Indicated that the integration of religious teachings into psychotherapy highlights the role of therapeutic approaches and increases the effectiveness of treatment (7). Therefore, by focusing their wishes on the other world, trusting the Lord, reliance on God, contentment and satisfaction with what they have and the divine destiny, attention to the divine wisdom in the world, understanding the realities of the world and the fact that this world is an introduction to the hereafter and life is full of hardships, they were able to adopt a new logical attitude and conception of the world and themselves, and having a sense of control over their fate, they were able to reduce their symptoms of depression. Therefore, it can be concluded that having a sense of meaning in life is associated with lower levels of depression, and those who live a religious life and believe in divine destiny in coping with problems are more resilient in coping with their problems.

One of the limitations of the present study was the lack of a follow-up period. Considering the voluntary sampling method used in the study and limiting the statistical population to Qom province, caution should be practiced in generalizing the results.

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Ethical considerations

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دراسة مدى تأثير العلاج المعنائي المصحوب بتلاوة القرآن وقراءة الأدعية على شدة أعراض الاكتئاب لدى النساء المصابات بالاضطراب الاكتئابي المتجذر

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الملخص

خلفية البحث وأهدافه: الكآبة المتجذرة هي إحدى العوارض الشائعة والمزمنة التي تستدعي العلاج. تحدف هذه الدراسة إلى تبيين التأثير الإيجابي الذي تحققه طريقة العلاج المعنائي المصحوب بتلاوة القرآن الكريم و قراءة الأدعية؛ ودوره في تخفيف وطأة هذا النوع من الكآبة على النساء المبتليات به.

منهجية البحث: تُصنَّف هذه الدراسة من فصيل الدراسات الشبه إختبارية المتقومة على مرحليً قبل الإختبار و بعده؛ وذلك بتطبيقها على أفراد الهدف، واشتمل المجتمع الاحصائي لهذه الدراسة على كافة النساء اللواتي أُبتلين بهذه الحالة المرّضيّة في مدينة قم خلال العام ٢٠١٧ م ونظراً لأنَّ الدراسة شبه إختبارية، فقد أُجريت على ٣٠ شخصاً (كل مجموعة تتكون من ١٥ فرداً) وذلك على ضوء تبرع أفراد الهدف وقبولهم لإختبار التجربة، وقد تمَّ تصنيف عينة البحث بشكلٍ عشوائي مبسبط الى مجموعتي التجريبية والضابطة. وشملت أدوات الدراسة في جمع المعلومات على مقياس "بيك" للاكتئاب. تم تحليل البيانات وتجزئتها باستخدام تحليل التغاير. تمت مراعاة جميع الموارد الاخلاقية في هذا البحث؛ واضافة الي هذا، فإن مؤلفي البحث لم يشيروا الى اي تضارب في المصالح.

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اثربخشی معنادرمانی توأم با تلاوت قرآن و دعا بر شدت علائم افسردگی زنان مبتلا به اختلال افسردگی اساسی

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اطلاعات مقاله

سابقه و هدف: افسردگی اساسی از شایعترین و مزمن ترین اختلالاتی است که به درمان نیاز دارد. هدف پژوهش حاضر اثربخشی معنادرمانی توأم با تلاوت قرآن و دعا بر شدت علائم افسردگی زنان مبتلا به اختلال افسردگی اساسی بود.

روش کار: پژوهش حاضر نیمه آزمایشی از نوع پیش آزمون-پس آزمون با گروه گواه است. جامعه ی آماری شامل کلیه ی زنان مبتلا به اختلال افسردگی اساسی شهر قم در سال ۱۳۹۶ بود که از بین آنان نمونه یی به حجم ۳۰ بیمار (هر گروه ۱۵ نفر) با توجه به معیارهای شمول به صورت داوطلبانه انتخاب شد. اعضای نمونه به صورت جایگزینی تصادفی ساده در دو گروه آزمایش و گواه قرار گرفتند. ابزار گردآوری اطلاعات مقیاس افسردگی بک بود. برای تجزیه و تحلیل داده ها نیز از روش تحلیل کوواریانس استفاده شد. در این پژوهش همه ی موارد اخلاقی رعایت شده است و مؤلفان مقاله هیچ گونه تضاد منافعی گزارش نکرده اند.

یافته ها: میانگین گروه آزمایش در مرحله ی پیش آزمون در مؤلفه ی شدت علائم افسردگی $\pi 0/10$ و گروه گواه $\pi 0/10$ و در مرحله ی پس آزمون برای گروه آزمایش $\pi 0/10$ و برای گروه گواه $\pi 0/10$ بود. پس از اعمال مداخله ی میزان افسردگی در گروه گواه تغییری ایجاد نشد ولی نمرات افسردگی گروه آزمایش کاهش یافت که از نظر آماری معنادار بود $(P<\cdot/\cdot 1)$.

نتیجه گیری: نتایج نشان می دهد معنادرمانی توأم با تلاوت قرآن و دعا در کاهش شدت علائم افسردگی زنان مبتلا به افسردگی اساسی مؤثر است.

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اختلال افسردگی اساسی از نظر ناتوانی ناشی از بیماری دومین مشکل عمده ی بهداشتی در سراسر جهان است که بیش از ۳۵۰ میلیون نفر در جهان را تحت تأثیر قرار داده است

(۱, ۲). بر اساس مطالعهی ملی بیماریها و آسیبها در ایران، افسردگی سومین مشکل سلامت کشور است (۳)، با نرخ شیوع ۲۵-۶ درصد (۴, ۵)، که در زنان بیش از مردان گزارش شده است (۶). اختلال افسردگی یکی از انواع اختلالات خُلقی است که دست کم با یک دوره افسردگی اساسی بدون دوره ی شیدایی توصیف می شود و باید خُلق ملول یا لذت نبردن از

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