NARCISSISM AND THE CHARISMATIC LEADER-FOLLOWER RELATIONSHIP
What is narcissism?

Kohut

“A separate healthy line of narcissistic personality development is a central feature of the self-psychology”

Kernberg

“The narcissistic personality develops only in response to psychological damage inflicted early in the course of development”
NARCISSISM

Early stage of development

“He is universe”  Splitting  Attach himself to ideal object

“The Injured Self”

Formation into two personality patterns

Mirror-hungry  Ideal-hungry
CHARISMATIC LEADER–FOLLOWER RELATIONSHIP

Charismatic Leadership

Leader

Follower

Specific historical moments

What is Charismatic Leader – Follower Relationship?

actions

support
MIRROR HUNGRY PERSONALITY: CHARISMATIC LEADER

• Characteristic:
  • Needed a continuing flow of admiration from his audience
  • Unshakeable self confidence
  • Voice their option with absolute certainty
  • Continually judging others – point out the flaws
  • Set themselves as the guides/leaders

• How?
  • Ability to convey belief
  • The real belief itself (we vs them - splitting)
MIRROR HUNGRY PERSONALITY: PARANOIA’S EFFECTS

• Paranoid characteristic is a great added to the effective charismatic leader

• For charismatic leader with paranoid characteristics, the rhetoric becomes the basis of justifying attacking the outside enemy – to ward off their inner doubt
IDEAL HUNGRY PERSONALITY: THE FOLLOWER

• Characteristics:
  • An enduring need to attach himself to a powerful
  • Feel complete when attached to or emerged with this idealized

• How?
  • The power of rhetoric – “follow me and i will take care of you” (we vs them)
  • Sense of belonging – “join my followers and you will no longer be alone” – the sense of “we” creates a coherent identity
# REAL CASE (Soekarno)

## Soekarno’s Childhood
- Born during colonialism era
- His father were stern
- Taken care of by maid
- Center of attention in family
- Unable to become leader among dutch friends
- Nobleman but lived in poverty
- Raised in traditional Javanese culture that believed in mystical value
- Get used to admire heroes from epic ramayana and mahabarata

## Soekarno’s Characteristic
- Confident, enthusiastic and inspiring
- Admire himself as he stated on his book
- Good orator and know how to influence people
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REFLECTION

Situations
• Born in family with patriarchy culture
• Female cousins with similar age, force to be feminine
• Have a male cousins that brave, smart, reliable
• Male cousins become the leader and supervise all of them
Thank You and Bye Bye