

# *The humanity of the pre-born, rape and the crime of abortion*

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1) *Medical science clearly shows that life begins at conception.*

## **Consider the following:**

- At 18 days of gestation, the baby's heart begins occasional pulsation.
- At 20 days, the foundation for the entire nervous system exists.
- At 21 days, the heart begins to beat regularly and pumps through the circulatory system.
- At 30 days, the eyes, ears, mouth, kidneys and liver exist.
- At 42 days, brain waves are reliably present and reflexes exist.
- At 45 days, teeth buds are present; skeleton is complete; movement begins.
- At 56 days, all body systems are present; he reacts to pain.
- At 9-10 weeks, he squints, retracts his tongue, and will bend his fingers around an object.
- At 11-12 weeks, all body systems work; his arms and legs move; he swallows, sucks thumb, inhales and exhales amniotic fluid, and has fingernails.
- At 14 weeks, the auditory sense is present.
- At 16 weeks, eyelashes are present; he can grasp, swim, kick and turn.
- At 18 weeks, his vocal cords work; he can cry.
- At 20 weeks, hair appears; he weighs about one pound and is about 12 inches long.

**Source:** <http://www.cwfa.org/articledisplay.asp?id=3110&department=CWA&categoryid=life>

## 2) Rape and abortion

**Rape and incest victims** : The newly released book *Victims and Victors* presents data from 192 women who became pregnant as a result of rape or incest. Of 50 rape victims who reported feelings about their abortions, 88 percent explicitly stated it was the wrong choice. Forty-three percent of the rape victims surveyed reported having abortions because of pressure from others. More than 90 percent said they would discourage other victims of sexual assault from undergoing abortion.

**Source:**

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<http://www.cwfa.org/articledisplay.asp?id=1457&department=CWA&categoryid=life>

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### **..How other people treat her**

In his book *Why Can't We Love Them Both*, Dr. John Willke reports that rape pregnancies occur about 1 or 2 for each 1000 rapes. Less than half of rape pregnancies are aborted; the rest of them are carried to term. Willke cites a study in which women carried their babies to term in 28 of 35 rape pregnancies. Willke says that the complaint of a woman who is raped and gets pregnant is not that she is pregnant, but how other people treat her, avoiding her or acting as though the rape were partly her fault.

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### **Statistics are often skewed**

There are an estimated 1,365,730 abortions performed in the United States each year. I've seen estimates on the Internet for as many as 700,000 rapes per year while my Almanac quote FBI Uniform Crime Reports for 1996 as 95,770 forcible rapes, down from 109,060 in '92. (A different page in my Almanac tells me that the average prison sentence for rape is 9 years 9 months, while the average actual time served is 5 years 5 months.)

**Source:** <http://www.freerepublic.com/forum/a39b801e01ad4.htm>

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### **Dr. Sandra Mahkorn found that 75 to 85 percent chose *against* abortion.<sup>1</sup>**

For example, it is commonly assumed that rape victims who become pregnant would naturally want abortions. But in the only major study of pregnant rape victims ever done, This evidence alone should cause people to pause and reflect on the presumption that abortion is wanted or even best for sexual assault victims.

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Several reasons are given for not aborting. First, approximately 70 percent of all women believe abortion is immoral, even though many also feel it should be a legal choice for others. Approximately the same percentage of pregnant rape victims believe abortion would be just another act of violence perpetrated against their bodies and their children.

1. Mahkorn, "Pregnancy and Sexual Assault," *The Psychological Aspects of Abortion*, eds. Mall & Watts, (Washington, D.C., University Publications of America, 1979) 55-69.

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### **Robbed of her maternity**

"Many women report that their abortions felt like a degrading and brutal form of medical rape," he writes — involving "a painful examination of a woman's sexual organs by a masked stranger who is invading her body ... while she lies there, tense and helpless, the life hidden within her is literally sucked out of her womb. The difference? In a sexual rape, a woman is robbed of her purity; in this medical rape she is robbed of her maternity." **Source:** <http://www.afterabortion.org/PAR/V2/n1/RAPESUM.htm>

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### **Teen girls having sex with older men – a statistic on the rise**

"Young women who had ever been forced to have sex were twice as likely as those who had not to have a partner who was 3–5 years older."

"Such age differences are generally of little public interest. However, when adolescents younger than 18 are involved with men who are substantially older than they are, differences between partners in such factors as maturity, life experience, social position, financial resources and physical size may make such relationships inherently unequal, and the young women may therefore be vulnerable to abuse and exploitation by their partners." **Source:** Family Planning Perspectives, July/August 1999, the Alan Guttmacher Institute

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**A woman who becomes pregnant due to an act of either rape or incest** is the victim of a horribly violent and morally reprehensible crime. Although pregnancy as a result of either rape or incest is extremely rare, there is no getting around the fact that pregnancy does occur in some instances.

Concerning this, Dr. Stephen Krason writes: "A number of studies have shown that pregnancy resulting from rape is very uncommon. One, looking at 2190 victims, reported pregnancy in only 0.6 percent." (*Abortion: Politics, Morality, and the Constitution* [Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1984], p. 283.)

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### **A personal testimony from Jackie, a rape victim**

"I soon discovered that the aftermath of my abortion continued a long time after the memory of my rape had faded. I felt empty and horrible. Nobody told me about the pain I would feel deep within causing nightmares and deep depressions. They had all told me that after the abortion I could continue my life as if nothing had happened."

**Source:** <http://www.afterabortion.org/rape.html>

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### **The humanity of the child does not change**

As theologian and ethicist Dr. Michael Bauman has observed: "A child does not lose its right to life simply because its father or its mother was a sexual criminal or a **deviant.**"

Source: Michael Bauman, "Verbal Plunder: Combatting the Feminist Encroachment on the Language of Religion and Morality," paper presented at the 42nd annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, Nov. 15-17, 1990, p. 16.

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### **Rape used as a excuse for abortion**

What are the most used defenses for having an abortion? Are the reasons of rape and incest used more often? These justifications should be the least often used excuses for having an abortion. But in reality, the statistics are probably higher. Any woman can walk into a clinic and say, "I was raped, I need an abortion," or "I was raped by my uncle, I need an abortion" without proof or evidence. Today, there are more reported rapes and cases of incest. Source: <http://www.liberator.net/articles/abortion.html>

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### **Legalized abortion has actually increased the incidence of rape and sexual attacks**

Women annually reported about 500,000 rapes or sexual assaults. Friends or acquaintances of the victims committed more than half of these crimes. Source: <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/3109/CWA/life/>

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### **What about the psychological problems of rape?**

The anguish and psychic suffering caused by rape and incest has been treated quite effectively. Professor Stephen Krason points out that "psychological studies have shown that, when given the proper support, most pregnant rape victims progressively change their attitudes about their unborn child from something repulsive to someone who is innocent and uniquely worthwhile." **Source:** Stephen M. Krason, *Abortion: Politics, Morality, and the Constitution* (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1984), p. 284. For an overview of the research, see Sandra Kathleen Mahkorn, "Pregnancy and Sexual Assault," in David Mall and Walter F. Watts, M.D., *The Psychological Aspects of Abortion* (Washington, D.C.: University Publications of America, 1979), pp. 67-68.

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### **Studies show why there's a low pregnancy rate after rape**

Of these 200,000 women who were raped, one-third were either too old or too young to get pregnant. That leaves 133,000 at risk of pregnancy.

A woman is capable of being fertilized only three days out of her 30-day month. So divide 133,000 by 10, and 13,300 women remain.

One-fourth of all women in the United States of child-bearing age have been sterilized. That drops the figure to 10,000.

Only half of the assailants penetrate her body and/or deposit sperm. Cut it in half again. We are at one to 5,000.

Fifteen percent of men are sterile; that drops the figure to 4,250. Fifteen percent of non-surgically sterilized women are naturally sterile. That reduces the number to 3,600.

Another 15% are on the pill and/or are already pregnant. Now the figure is 3,070. Now factor in something that all adults know. It takes from five to ten months for an average couple to achieve a pregnancy. Using the smaller figure, to be conservative, divide the 3,000 figure by 5, and the number drops to about 600.

Finally, we must factor in one of the most important reasons why a rape victim rarely gets pregnant, and that is psychic trauma. Every woman is aware that stress and emotional factors can alter her menstrual cycle. So what further percentage reduction in pregnancy will this cause? No one really knows, but this factor certainly cuts the last figure by at least 50%, and probably more, leaving a final figure of 225 women pregnant each year, a number that closely matches the 200 found in clinical studies.

**Source:**

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/online\\_books/love\\_them\\_both/why\\_cant\\_we\\_love\\_them\\_both\\_29.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/online_books/love_them_both/why_cant_we_love_them_both_29.asp)

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**If the rape victim is treated immediately**

A study of 1,000 rape victims, who were treated medically right after the rape, reported no pregnancies. **Source:** L. Kuchera, "Postcoital Contraception with Diethylstilbestrol," *JAMA*, October 25, 1971

**But what if the victim is not treated immediately ?**

If the rape victim is not treated, and if it is limited to true assault rape, the pregnancy rate will still be extremely small. If all "reported" rapes, including statutory rape (under 18-years-old, but sometimes with consent given), when drunk (with questionable consent), etc., it is higher.

If these had been limited to true assaults and the women had been given hormone treatment, the pregnancy rate would have been much lower, perhaps zero. Hayman & Lanza, **Source:** "Sexual Assault on Women and Girls," *Amer. Jour. OB/GYN*, vol. 109, No. 3, Feb. 1971, pp. 480-486 Hayman et al., "Rape in the District of Columbia," *Amer. Jour. OB/GYN*, vol. 113, no. 1, May 1972, pp. 91, 97

In still another series of 126 assault rape victims, only half of those at risk of pregnancy were treated, but none became pregnant. **Source:** Evrard & Gold, "Epidemiology and Management of Sexual Assault Victims," *OB & GYN*, vol. 53, no. 3, Mar. 1979, pp. 381-387

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**Carry the rapists child?**

"In the majority of these cases, the pregnant victim's problems stem more from the trauma of rape than from the pregnancy itself." Mahkorn & Dolan, "Sexual Assault & Pregnancy." **Source:** In *New Perspectives on Human Abortion*, University Publishers of Amer., 1981, pp. 182-199 239

As to what factors make it most difficult to continue her pregnancy, the opinions, attitudes, and beliefs of others were most frequently cited; in other words, how her loved ones treated her. **Source:** Mahkorn, "Pregnancy & Sexual Assault." *In Psychological Aspects of Abortion*, University Publishers of Amer., 1979, pp. 53-72

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## Conclusions:

- *Without comprehending it, what the rapist sought to bring about by force, the victim, by aborting, vindicates and completes.* **Source:** Steve Kellmeyer [http://www.envoymagazine.com/backissues/1.3/mayjune\\_story3.html](http://www.envoymagazine.com/backissues/1.3/mayjune_story3.html)

### Abortion is never necessary

Since conception does not occur immediately following intercourse, pregnancy can be eliminated in *all* rape cases if the rape victim receives immediate medical treatment by having all the male semen removed from her uterus. **Source:** See the results of studies of 4,800 victims of rape in the St. Paul-Minneapolis area, as cited in John F. Hillabrand, "Dealing With a Rape Case," *Heartbeat* 8 (March 1975), p. 250

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### So, what's another option?

Some women who had children after rape, then raised them, feel adoption would have been the better course. Kathleen DeZeeuw writes: "I personally believe that for her child's sake, the rape victim should strongly consider adoption.

That may sound strange coming from me, but I know the emotional problems that can result from being daily reminded of the assault. In many cases it may be truly better for the child that he or she not be subjected to this added turmoil." **Source:** <http://www.abortiontv.com/RapeAndIncest.htm>

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## 3) Rapes / sexual abuse by abortionists!

- Sexual Assaults in New York - Page 91 of Lime 5

Several patients of [abortionist John Roe 80] claim that he . . . injected them with medication that made them groggy, and then engaged in sexual intercourse with them against their will. One of these women testified that she was rendered physically unable to move but kept crying, "What are you doing?"

(Sources: The University of the State of New York Board of Regents "Disciplinary Proceeding" and Order No. 10761; NY Dept. of Health "Administrative Law Judge's Report" 11/2/89)

□ Sexual Assaults in Indiana - Page 93 of [Lime 5](#)

After her June 1, 1983, appointment, [abortionist John Roe 99] gave "Michelle" his home phone number and asked her to call him. Later, he went to her home and told her that his beeper had gone off. She allowed him to use her telephone, and then he wandered off in her house. When she went to find him, Roe 99 was standing naked in a bedroom. He then forcibly raped her knowing that she would not scream for help because her 10-year-old son was asleep in the next room.

(Sources: Indiana Medical Board Disciplinary Action Cause No. 89 MLB 0003; Associated Press 2/9/89; *Tyler Morning Telegraph* 6/12/91, 6/13/91; *Questionable Doctors*)

□ Sexual Assaults in Oregon - Page 87 of [Lime 5](#)

[Abortionist John Roe 38] was investigated by the Oregon Board of Medical Examiners in 1994, after a 41-year-old woman and her 20-year-old daughter alleged that he tried to sexually stimulate them during examinations in 1990 and 1993. "The Oregonian" reported that 21 additional women contacted them to report similar incidents . . .

(Sources: *The Oregonian* 9/22/94, 5/27/95, 5/31/95, 6/1/95)

- In 1992, more than 160 women accused one California abortionist [John Roe 497] of sexually assaulting them. California Deputy Attorney General, Randy Christison, called Roe 497 a predator in a white coat who used his position for his own perverse sexual gratification.

Unfortunately, the state of California was not able to pursue criminal charges against him because the statute of limitations had expired on many of the instances and corroborating evidence was not available in the others. However, the California Medical Board charged him with sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, gross negligence, incompetence, and immorality. On May 15, 1992, Roe 497 surrendered his California medical license.

Source: **Lime 5: Exploited by Choice** by [Mark Crutcher](#)

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## **Convicted Abortionist Finkel Sentenced to 34 Years in Prison**

Abortionist Brian Finkel was sentenced Friday to more than 34 years in prison and 99 years probation to begin when his incarceration ends, after a tearful speech in which he assured the court that he never committed sexual abuse. Late in 2003, Finkel had been convicted by a Phoenix court on 22 counts of sex abuse directed toward former abortion clinic patients. <http://www.azconservative.org/finkelsentenced.htm>

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## **Abortionists More Prone to Crime, Pro-Lifers Charge**

**Dawn Rizzoni, CNSNews.com**

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British Columbia psychiatrist Philip Ney said he has worked with former abortionists who admitted that something inside of them changed for the worse after performing abortions.

"There's an instinctual restraint in humans that keeps them from harming a helpless child. If that restraint is damaged, it becomes easier to hurt other people," Ney said.

A common crime committed by abortionists, Crutcher said, is the sexual assault of patients. He dedicated a chapter in his pro-life book "Lime 5" to the issue,

Source: <http://www.newsmax.com/archives/articles/2002/1/21/185943.shtml>

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### **More crime than is reported!**

While the media occasionally report high-profile horror stories of abortion doctors raping and abusing multiple women, the true picture is obscured: Young women are being raped and sexually assaulted with alarming frequency in America's abortion clinics. Source: <http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/816008/posts>

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### *On the web:*

<http://www.preciouslife.net/womenshealth-rape.asp>

<http://www.righttoliferoch.org/nstatrape.htm>

<http://www.cwfa.org/articledisplay.asp?id=1456&department=CWA&categoryid=life>

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<http://www.afterabortion.org/PAR/V2/n1/RAPESUM.htm>

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