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Slavery, Racism, Abortion and the Female Psyche

**A Forward by Dr. Theresa Burke from the book by
Dr. Karen Stevenson and Evangelist Alveda King**

As a grief and trauma therapist, I have seen that black women conceal powerful rivers of emotion within their souls. They maintain mighty currents that when released through a process of truth telling and weeping can become a formidable and vigorous negotiator for change.

Indeed, there are oceans of tears that black women have never cried. For they have been trained to carry secrets and endure hardships with obedience to ensure survival. A woman's crying can be considered dangerous and threatening, for it has the capacity to loosen the rusty bolts and chains which imprison the secrets she bears. In that reckoning others can potentially lift up their own souls to recognize the shame attached to slavery, rape, battery, and other forms of sexual and domestic violence that are part of black women's lives. A national crime victimization survey revealed that for every African-American woman who reports her rape, at least fifteen African-American women do not report what happened to them.

Moments of powerlessness and occasions of being reduced to a state of utter helplessness create traumatic experiences. When the forceful blow comes from nature, we speak of disasters. When the powerful intensity comes from other human beings, we speak of atrocities, brutality, crimes, murder and evil.

Traumatic experiences completely overwhelm the nervous system which deprives victims of a sense of control, connection and meaning. Traumatic events generally involve threats to life or bodily integrity or a close personal encounter with dehumanizing violence or death. The Textbook of Psychiatry claims that the common denominator of psychological trauma is a feeling of "intense fear, helplessness, loss of control and the threat of annihilation.

In the United States, the abortion rate for Black women is almost 4 times that of white women. On average, 900 Black babies are aborted every day in the United States. This tragedy continues to impact the population levels of African-Americans in the United States. The abortion racial disparity is real and tragically dangerous.

National Statistics

- More than 20 million Black babies have been aborted since the 1973 Roe v. Wade U.S. Supreme Court decision legalized abortion in our country.
- Black women have a significantly higher abortion rate than Whites and Hispanics.
- 36.0% of all abortions in the U.S. in 2014 were performed on Black women, however, only about 13.3% of the total population is Black
- African-Americans are no longer the nation's largest minority group. Today, Hispanics have outpaced Blacks in population growth.
- For every 1,000 live births, non-Hispanic Black women had 391 abortions. Non-Hispanic White women had 120 abortions/1,000 live births.

When Alveda King invited me to contribute to this booklet, I was curious as to what new information I could contribute to the dialogue.

Yes, I am a white woman who grew up with two loving parents in a nice neighborhood. My interest in social justice and violence against women and children led me to work in poor neighborhoods as a training ground for my later vocation which would encompass a rich study of trauma and the creation of a number of treatment models to bring psychological and spiritual healing to survivors of abortion trauma, sexual abuse, genocide and the moral injury combats suffer in war.

But my initial reflections for this topic brought me back to a place I where I volunteered as a college student. On the corner of Sansom and 13th in Philadelphia I worked as part of a weekend relief staff at a shelter for mentally ill homeless women. On Saturday nights, groups of men hung out right below our second story living room, drinking bottles in paper bags while pissing on our doorstep. They were loud and obnoxious, but in the dim light and sweltering heat we left the windows open. To take our minds off the repetitive bass beat of boom boxes and jive talking we began a ritual of storytelling in the upper room. Our sessions were intense, revealing and utterly heartbreaking.

My curiosity about how they became homeless led to hours of unlicensed listening, long before I was sufficiently educated to treat problems of any kind. But I can tell you, I learned more about the reality and impact of trauma by listening to their stories of desperate survival than I learned from any university textbook or professor. I watched the women startle easily, then go numb and emotionless, staring off into space as words were trapped in the quicksand of agonizing memory. Without any training, it was easy to recognize the unusual and perplexing symptoms of trauma along with the mental illness that results when life simply shatters one's ability to cope. Too many injuries and the person fades away leaving only traces of what happened to them revealed to the infrequent listener who is willing to patiently witness and ask the questions that others are fearful to ponder. In those moments of complete attunement, Rosabell became surprisingly coherent and interesting, Angie was pensive and reflective which led to tears of sorrow; and Jetta smiled as she remembered her babies, the somewhere out there grown up children whom she had no idea of their whereabouts. She remained deeply grieved that they had lost track of her.

After getting married, my husband and I ran a maternity home back in the early 90's on the rough edges of West Philadelphia. We ran a pro-life residence for homeless pregnant women.

I served on the Board as a program Director and therapist and my husband, a licensed clinical social worker, was hired as The Mother's Home Supervisor and Administrator. Once involved in counseling and doing trauma work with our residents, I became more deeply aware of the cultural, political, and historical family structures that created ongoing cycles of poverty, oppression, discrimination and a spiraling sense of self-hatred among our black residents. I also noticed that the majority, if not all our black residents, came from generations of fatherless families. They knew violence, sexual assault, street shootings and drug abuse, domestic violence and the enduring grief of having mothers and fathers living out long sentences in prison. They had no concept or even hopeful fantasy that a sexual partner would stand by them to help support and nurture their children. They initially had no appreciation of their own unique dignity or the precious value of the children their bodies had surprisingly created.

We worked diligently to address the realities that contribute to the high rates of abortion because too many black women have no choice but abortion given the lack of education, instability in relationships, lack of employment and unaffordable childcare. Our Mother's Home offered free housing, nutritious meals shared together in community, individual and group counseling and computer job training to women who wanted shelter and protection while pregnant, and a place to stay after the baby was born. There were volunteer tutors to prepare our residents to earn their GED's (Graduate Equivalency Diploma's) while they lived at the home. With the help of our social worker Nancy, they obtained whatever benefits we could find for single moms, financial aid, training grants and even scholarships. Some residents went on to complete college degrees in professional fields or completed specialized job training in order to care for themselves and their children. It was challenging work but we had some amazing success stories. It was at the Mother's home where I started the first Rachel's Vineyard Retreats for healing after abortion.

Many women become trapped in a cycle of repeat abortions. Approximately half of all women who have an abortion have had one or more previous abortions. Most of our residents had already endured several abortions and we invited anyone who had suffered the loss of a child into an opportunity to heal in order to assist with a healthier attachment to their infant once the baby was born. That experience was also highly instructive as I studied the issues of bonding and attachment after the choice.

Since that time I have counseled thousands of women all over the world whose lives have been impacted by the experience of abortion – women who suffer the repercussions of a cruel and degrading procedure which many describe as more violent and brutal than rape. There is grief, sadness, guilt, shame and anger. They have learned to numb themselves with alcohol and drugs, or master their trauma through repetitions of it. Some reenact their trauma through promiscuity and repeat abortions, trapped in traumatic cycles of abandonment, rejection, a sense of helplessness, and abuse.

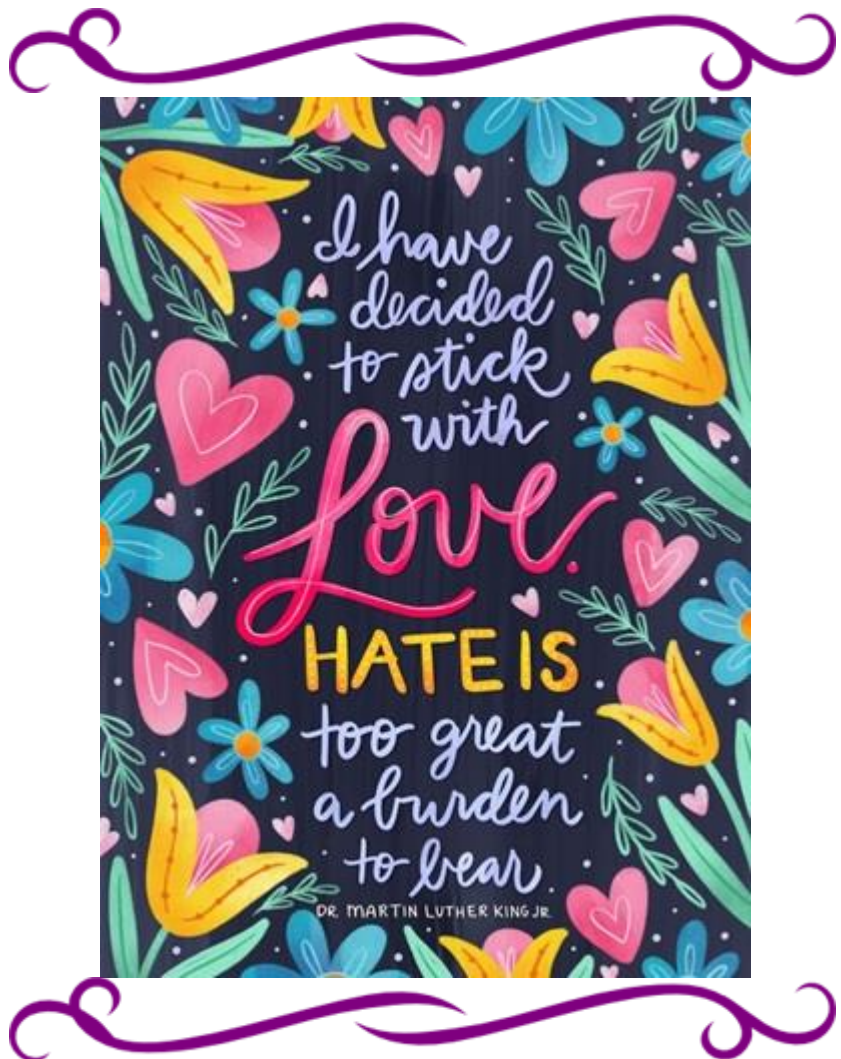
Others stuff their feelings through eating disorders, depression, anxiety, and thoughts of suicide. Some have suffered permanent physical and reproductive damage from abortion, which rendered them unable to have children in the future. Women who have suffered the loss of their children by abortion are the victims of unspeakable trauma – a hideous unspoken pain.

Women with a history of more than one abortion are likely to suffer more severe physical and psychological problems from their abortions. Studies of women having repeat abortions show that they are more likely to live in less stable social situations, have nearly twice as many psychological problems, and have twice as much reliance on social support services.

They are also more likely to go through a divorce, to be involved in substance abuse, and to rely on public welfare. At the same time, they may actively desire pregnancy and to have a low motivation for and irregular use of contraception.

But our work of healing continued. As time went on, Rachel's Vineyard became a movement that spread throughout the USA and into over 80 countries throughout the world. It was spread by those women and men whose lives had been profoundly changed from the experience of truth telling, a sacred process for grieving, reconciling and recovery. They wanted to share the peace they had received with others.

**The full forward and book can be found [here](#).



Compassion and Abortion By Sister Meg Cole Catholic Charities Therapist

In the book "Compassion: Listening to the Cries of the World," Christina Feldman explains the importance of living with a deep sense of compassion in our lives. This sense of compassion needs to be toward others as well as ourselves.

It is essential, in our suffering world, to carry compassion within us when managing the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain of life.

Feldman states: “We are always beginners in the art of compassion. No matter how advanced or refined we believe our understanding to be, life is sure to present us with some new experience or encounter with pain we feel unprepared for.”

“To have pain unprepared for” – Women who have a *pain they are not prepared for* can sometimes be those who now have regret after making the decision to have an abortion. This unique pain of profound sorrow is associated with having concluded, in a time of intense and severe distress that an abortion was undeniably necessary.

After the abortion is completed, a woman can experience a great deal of disquiet within herself. She inwardly questions: “How could I have let such a thing happen?” She struggles with the excuses and explanations made before the abortion and believes the stories she told herself about why this was the right choice to make.

This can be a very lonely place for a woman as she now reflects on her fateful decision that has left her in dark despair. The woman has not anticipated such grief to be hers after terminating this biological and emotional mother-child union. But ultimately, she is in great conflict within herself as she comes to the awareness that a child has died due to this decision.

At some point the grace of God can nudge this woman forward to receive healing and forgiveness through the Catholic Charities ministries of Project Rachel (individual counseling sessions) and Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat (a weekend of “God’s Unconditional Love, Mercy and Forgiveness”).

The bereaved woman is no longer able to ignore the thoughts and feelings associated with the abortion. Her voice reveals a deep sadness, “*I had an abortion*” she expresses with tense repose and regret. Crestfallen about her own unbelievable behavior and undeniable loss of what could have been a treasured child, this woman can feel a precise need to bring this sadness to God.

Since there is no escaping this pain, when a woman who comes to a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat, she is provided a dwelling to heal this wound. It is a very lonely place for this woman as she presses to explore her fateful decision. A troubled choice has taken her to a distressed place, holding a dark secret in despair.

Such ministries allow this woman to mourn and grieve the loss of her child in the presence of the unconditional Mercy that is God. There is no sin greater than God’s Mercy.

This awareness can restore a sense of dignity in the woman as she desires to live life and continue her journey as one whose inner turmoil can now be forgiven by herself and by God.

In the words of Scripture, Jesus tells us (Luke 6:36), “Be compassionate just as your Father is compassionate.”

The experience of a “Compassionate Father” is not necessarily a common one. Such a father is described in a book on compassion by Catherine Nerney.

Included in the book is a story of a “Compassionate Father” who approaches his growing sons and shares with them the ultimate truth – they are going to most likely make some grave mistakes in their lives, and he wants them to know that he is always available to them and will be faithful to them.

He holds himself out as a “resource” even when they may have done something they know he would find unacceptable and disappointing. He does this by providing his sons a code word: “Sanctuary.”

He informs them that he will always be their trustworthy, reliable and loyal father. At any time, no matter what the mistake, they are to come to him and just say “Sanctuary.”

The father will back down and show no anger or defensiveness, but will be there for his sons. Such an image, and to have this image of God the Father, is one many men need to know – especially those men who made the decision to be involved in an abortion.

Many men are now experiencing the emotional pain and great shame for having been involved and participated in the choice to have an abortion. Sometimes the man pays for the abortion and demands that his partner goes through with the appointment. On other levels, the man could have begged the woman not to have an abortion but could find no way to stop her.

For most men, this is a nameless and difficult suffering, one so exclusive that they carry the pain of this event deep within. However, men too can participate in the ministries of Project Rachel and Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat. Men too can come to healing and say to God, “Sanctuary.”

The man who allows himself to participate in these ministries and expresses his self-resentment and anger for being complicit in the abortion experience will only be embraced in the love of God.

God calls out to all those who are suffering with a pain they were not prepared for and wants them to know there is “Sanctuary.”


And in these healing ministries only God’s faithfulness, love and compassion will prevail. Restored wholeness and dignity will be theirs as they honor their child and have a conversation with God about all that has happened.

A Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat will be the weekend of March 22-24 in the Diocese of Allentown.

Individual counseling is also available. Contact Catholic Charities’ confidential phone line at 1-866-3rachel, email projectrachel@allentowndiocese.org, or call 610-332-0442 ext. 2019.

Feldman, C. (2005) “Compassion: Listening to the Cries of the World,” Rodmell Press: Boulder, CO.

Nerney, C. (2018) “The Compassionate Connection: Recovering Our Original Oneness,” Orbis Books: Maryknoll, NY.



**"Above all, love each other deeply,
because love covers over a multitude of sins."**

~ I Peter 4:8



Message from the Pastoral Director

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Rachel's Vineyard is more needed than ever.

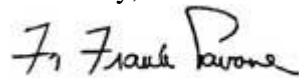
As New York state has recently expanded its abortion laws, making it easier to have an abortion in the seventh, eighth and ninth months of pregnancy, and as governors and legislators in Rhode Island and Virginia express support for the same kind of thing, and as the New York Governor even lights up buildings in the state in celebratory colors for these developments, it is clear that the pain over abortion is only going to increase.

Having an abortion later in pregnancy is one of the factors that leads to more grief. And watching others "celebrate" late term abortion can only be a painful insult to those who know from bitter experience that it is nothing to celebrate.

The other side, of course, is trying in vain to de-stigmatize late-term abortion because they realize that the nation is moving in the opposite direction. Opinion polls and state laws show that people want to protect babies in the later months of pregnancy, and consciences are being awakened by lessons like the Gosnell trial, portrayed so accurately in the movie Gosnell.

In short, Rachel's Vineyard is more relevant and necessary than ever. We need to accompany our brothers and sisters through all this pain, and lead them to the healing that follows repentance. Let's redouble our efforts, and our readiness, to carry out this mission!

Sincerely,



Fr. Frank Pavone
Pastoral Director, Rachel's Vineyard
National Director, Priests for Life



**"Unconditional love will have the final word in reality."
~ Martin Luther King Jr.**



A Valentine's Day Appeal

Valentine's Day celebrates love—love between couples, families and friends. As this day approaches consider those who find it difficult to love either themselves or someone else due the pain they have experienced after abortion. You can help someone experience God's healing love this Valentine's Day by giving to Rachel's Vineyard.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries is a non-profit organization. We are able to minister to those hurting after abortion through your contributions and prayers. Here's how to make a donation:

Online: www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate
By Phone: 610-354-0555
By Mail: P.O. Box 140130 Staten Island, NY 10314

"True Humility is not thinking less of yourself:
it is thinking of yourself less."

~ C.S. Lewis

Rachel's Vineyard in Social Media



Click the links below to visit Rachel's Vineyard social networking sites. Join today and send to your friends and family!

Facebook Fan Page: www.facebook.com/rachelsvineyard

YouTube: www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard

Twitter: www.twitter.com/RVHealing

Pinterest: www.pinterest.com/rachelsvineyard

Instagram: www.instagram.com/rvhealing

"A loving heart is the truest wisdom."

~ Charles Dickens

United in Prayer

Please pray for **Bernadette Goulding**, from Rachel's Vineyard Ireland, as she is on the mend from a health issue. We wish you a speedy recovery!!

Please keep all of our new **Rachel's Vineyard** and **Grief to Grace** sites in your prayers, that they may be filled with love and compassion. We also pray for all of those discerning to attend a retreat, that they may find the strength and courage to reach out.



"Love, to be real, must empty us of self."
~ Mother Teresa



Upcoming Grief to Grace Retreats
Healing the Wounds of Abuse
Reclaiming the Gift of Human Dignity
www.GriefftoGrace.org

Aston, PA

Call: 610-203-2002

Email: info@griefftoGrace.org

March 17-22, 2019

Beaverton, OR

Contact: griefftoGraceoregon@gmail.com

Call: 541-357-7501

Houston, TX

Call: 866-763-6557

Email: G2GTexas@griefftoGrace.org

June 29-July 3, 2019

August 17-21, 2019

Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN

Contact: diane@griefftoGrace.org

Call: 612-440-7247

Newark, NJ

Contact: info@griefftoGrace.org

Call: 610-203-2002

Phoenix, AZ

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Email: phoenix@griefftoGrace.org

Call: 480-215-6762

March 17-22, 2019

June 12-16, 2019 (Spanish)

July 7-12, 2019

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May 2-5, 2019

London, UK, England

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07849-029-442

07770-373-758

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Tasmania, Australia

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Call: +61-407704539

May 26-31, 2019

Perth, W. Australia

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July 14-19, 2019



**"Love is patient, love is kind.
It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.
It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking,
it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.
Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.
It always protects, always trusts,
always hopes, always perseveres.
Love never fails."
~ 1 Corinthians 13:4-8**



Rachel's Vineyard Training Events

On **February 25-March 1, 2019**, Dr. Theresa Burke will be attending and presenting at the Rachel's Vineyard **South American Leadership Conference** in Ecuador.

For more information, please email redprovida@hotmail.com



**"And now these three remain:
faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love."
~ 1 Corinthians 13:13**



Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

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Friday, February 8, 2019
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Miami (Español), FL

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Sunday, February 17, 2019

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Saturday, February 23, 2019

Cartagena, Colombia

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Sunday, February 24, 2019

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Sunday, February 24, 2019

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Los Angeles (Español), CA

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San Jose/Greater South Bay (Interdenominational), CA

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Sunday, February 24, 2019

Santa Clara & Alameda Counties (Interdenom), CA

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Santa Cruz Valley (Interdenominational), CA

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Agnes/Fort Worth/Glen Rose, TX

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Note: Retreat held in Danville, CA

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Note: Retreat held in Danville, CA

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Bogotá, Colombia

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Sunday, March 17, 2019

Allentown, PA

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Friday, March 22, 2019

Sunday, March 24, 2019

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Friday, March 22, 2019

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Friday, March 22, 2019

Sunday, March 24, 2019

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Friday, March 22, 2019

Sunday, March 24, 2019

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Note: Spanish available Monthly Support Group Available. Contact Karen Ord for details!

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Friday, March 22, 2019

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Note: Retreat held in the Malvern/Frazer area

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Friday, March 22, 2019

Sunday, March 24, 2019

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Friday, March 29, 2019

Sunday, March 31, 2019

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Sunday, March 31, 2019

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Friday, March 29, 2019

Sunday, March 31, 2019

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Friday, March 29, 2019

Sunday, March 31, 2019

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Friday, March 29, 2019

Sunday, March 31, 2019

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Sunday, March 31, 2019