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TOPIC: RAPE AND IT EFFECTS

Rape has become a very prominent and reoccurring topic in our present society and people are beginning to realize the danger and effects behind it. Also, an unpopular opinion about rape is that it affects both genders but mostly females.

Any type of unlawful sexual activity involving sexual intercourse or other forms of sexual penetration forcibly, under threat or against a person's will or consent can be termed **RAPE**.

Rape can be categorized in different ways: for instance, the situation in which it occurs, by the identity or characteristics of the victim and by the identity or characteristics of the perpetrator. We have different categories, they are; Date rape, Gang rape, Children rape, Rape by gender and so on.

**Child Rape:** This can also be categorized as child sexual abuse. It usually occurs whereby an adult sexually assaults a child. When committed by a relative like parents, aunts, uncles and other close relatives it can be termed "incest", which results to a long term psychological trauma. Also, when committed by an adult who is not a member of the family, it can be a caretaker, lesson teacher, personal therapist or even a stranger, it can also lead to psychological trauma.

**Gang rape:** This occurs when a group of people participate in the rape of a single victim. It involves two or more violators and it has now become a thing of everyday news, Gang rape is more involved with use of drugs, alcohols and weapons. Research also shows that group sexual assaults are more violent and has greater resistance from the victim than individual sexual assaults and that victims of group sexual assaults are more likely to seek crisis and police services, contemplate suicide and seek therapy than those involved in individual assaults

**Rape of the same sex:** It has also become a very common news nowadays. A person being raped by another person of the same gender. These kind of people are known as “gays”.

no matter how big or small the effect of the rape is, there shouldn't any excuse for such an act excuses like, it is the kind of dress the victim was wearing, the way she was walking, RAPE IS RAPE!! Innocent souls are still affected and more cases are always rising every day. And it shouldn't be condoned. Rapists should be taught lessons they would never forget just like their victims!

The effects of rape on victims can be so traumatizing that it can lead to a person committing suicide because such victim cannot deal with the pain and the post trauma.

Rape is a big stigma that has tarnished our society today and its destroying lives every day which should be stopped it is currently rising and it is not really good.

In most societies, rape law existed to protect virginal daughters from rape and also most rape cases are sometimes false accusation just for fame or something else and these kind of people should also be

punished. Rape is a serious matter which shouldn't be joked with rather taken serious and brought to a stop so that innocent lives will be saved.

In conclusion, Rape affects all age groups, it does not matter who you are or how you live your life the assaulter does not care about all these in most rape cases all they want is to have dominance over the victim thus, leading to serious consequences which could affect the victim for life and tarnish their image and reputation for life. Rape should be stopped! So that our young ones will be able to move freely