

## PROLIFE FACTS

Many men on finding that their wife or girlfriend is pregnant, thoughtlessly demand she "get rid of it". It isn't that simple, the woman has already become a mother. She "knows" that she is carrying a baby. Her rapidly changing body tells her that she is a mother. Psychologist Dr David Reardon, says that many girls and women are consequently reluctant to face an abortion, but give in because of pressure from others. He estimates that 60% of abortions result from such coercion. Many women think that after an abortion they can go back and restart their old lives. However, they may find it very difficult to face the reality that they are the mother of a baby, but one that is now dead. Trying to cope with such knowledge is the source of mental problems that have now been identified in NZ research and published in the British Journal of Psychiatry (2009).

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