

"You're reaching 30s, why haven't you have a child yet?"
"Don't wait too long to have kids. You may miss your chance"
"She was "asking for it" and now wants to have an abortion"

Throughout our lives, we have been subjected to opinions about our choices as women to have or not have a baby. These opinions become increasingly overwhelming as we age, abusing us, filling us with anxiety, guilt, fear, and shame. From a young age, our bodies are sexualized and objectified, becoming a field of control over our ability to reproduce society. For some unjustifiable reason, we owe our children to the society...

To be honest, as females, our socialization is primarily about this single purpose: to give birth. In the patriarchy thus, having children is considered to be the "completion" of a woman. Since the onset of capitalism, women have been perceived as simply the breeders of the working class and soldiers for the war machine. This perpetuates the system of exploitation among men as long as cannibalistic and national wars between workers and nations continue. Thus, the role* of mother becomes the most "sacred," almost like a trophy that we must acquire by any means to avoid social exile.

From a young age, we are taught that only women are solely responsible for childbirth and not men. We are told that we need to plan for it at a certain age, otherwise we are too young or too old. No one ever mentions that the responsibility for contraception should be shared equally between the sexes. Women are considered the only ones responsible for any unwanted pregnancy and then must raise the child alone.

*Roles based on biological and/or social gender are assigned to us from birth and we reject them

Therefore, there is no right to self-determination over one's body... Despite the fact that abortion has been legal in Greece since the 1980s and, on paper, every woman has the right to terminate a pregnancy, stigmatization continues to abuse and hurt women for making this choice. The suffocating expectations of family, the psychological abuse by doctors, and the stigmatization by the church, make the abortion procedure, which should be a medical act based on the woman's consent and decision, into an unbearable and traumatic experience. So-called "experts" express their opinions on abortion, and advertisements with slogans such as "let me live" equate an embryo with a fully formed human being, thereby equating abortion with murder.

It's hypocritical to point out a finger at us about human lives when the powers that be choose to put anti-theft products in baby creams.

It's hypocritical to talk about the fate of unborn children when they are letting migrant children drown in the Aegean.

It's hypocrisy to talk about a demographic problem while they are killing Roma children and sterilizing Roma women.

It's hypocrisy to talk about the "life" of an embryo, while they are sending thousands of children to abusive social services **

** Example of Kivotos tou Kosμου (Κιβωτός του Κόσμου), a child "protection" organization around Greece affiliated to the church, where the heads of the unit - a man of the clergy and subordinates- systematically (sexually) abused children for many years.

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