

# Abortion

To women like myself,  
they [abortion rights] are  
the bare minimum of human rights.

To working-class women,  
who often see motherhood, not work,  
as the key source of social honor,  
obsession with abortion rights  
among well-off women is selfish,  
exemplifying lack of an adequate  
devotion to family.

Seen in this light,  
opposition to abortion rights becomes,  
for high-school educated women,  
a way of claiming social honor.

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