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**Reflection**

The readings offer background on women's struggles throughout history. The past experiences improved my understanding of women's history. The events were more insightful because they did not censor much of the violent content from its audience. The oppression towards women had been much worse compared to their male counterparts (Daniele 504). The perspective of establishing dominance through rape was shocking. The acts were unjustifiable regardless of owning the women as slaves. Prior discussions of slavery movements would highlight how the whites took advantage of the women, but it never resonated as a means of dominance. Using rape to establish their rule and domination was uncouth, considering the children born would be one of their own besides having a slave for a mother.

The readings changed my idea of how the white man ruled and controlled their slaves after learning rape was a common occurrence. Th rights protecting gender-based violence can be understood further as to why they are more effective than discrimination issues. People are disgusted when an individual shows no respect to women as it reminds them of the past they have had to overcome. The actions of rape were too common for one not to conclude that most Black Americans own the same rights and freedom as whites (Daniele 505). The issue could confirm that blacks have deep roots in the United States because most of their ancestors were slave masters, drivers, and police officers. The rise of feminism makes more sense as I understand the struggles women had to face under white supremacy. The most interesting part was the relation of the current case where college students decide to bet on violating a black lady. Their view of the issue could not have more weight because they lacked understanding of the psychological consequences they created for the Owens. The case extends to remind the court of the usual occurrence almost daily during the slavery era. As the motion continued, the defense would focus more on finding out if consent was offered (Daniele 513). The events are not different from the slavery period, where the masters dominated by raping women in front of their husbands and family to establish dominance. The four men had taken the issue further by the use of weapons which could be used to dismiss any claims of consent. Moreover, Owens was raped severally, and even married men like Patrick were part of the gruesome act.

**Rethinking Women History and Modern Issues**

The equal rights Amendment highlights how people should not discriminate against others based on their gender. The data on the distribution of resources shows women are not yet treated and regarded as equal to men (Lectures notes 1). Their rewards seem to be calculated based on the results they presented compared to men who could be awarded due to their potential in different fields. The lady's team having to fund their traveling expenses is an example of how their rights are violated. The schools discriminate against them by providing less support compared to their male teams. Additionally, the common practice of enrolling and encouraging women to take professions labeled for women might be an existing violation of their rights. Women should feel free to engage in any specialty of their choice without external influence. The 1972 Act should be put in effect to ensure such occurrences do not happen within institutions as they could trigger negative movements. The most interesting part of both articles is that women had to fight for their freedom and rights.

The aspect may seem light, but having freedom over their own body resonates with the current issues. Patrick and his colleagues had decided to violate a black girl even before they knew who they could pick. The same is viewed as the school offering fewer resources to women's teams regardless of their representation as a school symbol and practice. My perspective on women's struggle to have equal rights as men changed after understanding they have dealt with the same issue for decades. The most interesting part of the articles is that the inequality affected both black and white ladies. There was less mention of how white women would control how their husbands behaved towards their subjects. The men seemed to have established the same dominance at home and at work. Patrick could be used as an example because he was married and was involved in raping Owen (Daniele 512). The differences were seen from one side having children and the other property.

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