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Quotes about Pregnancy

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Childbearing is glorified in part because women die from it.

- Dworkin, Andrea

If men were equally at risk from this condition -- if they knew their bellies might swell as if they were suffering from end-stage cirrhosis, that they would have to go nearly a year without a stiff drink, a cigarette, or even an aspirin, that they would be subject to fainting spells and unable to fight their way onto commuter trains -- then I am sure that pregnancy would be classified as a sexually transmitted disease and abortions would be no more controversial than emergency appendectomies.

- Ehrenreich, Barbara

These wretched babies don't come until they are ready.

- Elizabeth, Queen

If men could get pregnant, abortion would be a sacrament.

- Kennedy, Florynce R.

Pregnant women! They had that weird frisson, an aura of magic that combined awkwardly with an earthy sense of duty. Mundane, because they were nothing unique on the suburban streets; ethereal because their attention was ever somewhere else. Whatever

you said was trivial. And they had that preciousness which they imposed wherever they went, compelling attention, constantly reminding you that they carried the future inside, its contours already drawn, but veiled, private, an inner secret.

- Morgan, Ruth

Pregnancy demonstrates the deterministic character of woman's sexuality. Every pregnant woman has body and self taken over by a chthonian force beyond her control. In the welcome pregnancy, this is a happy sacrifice. But in the unwanted one, initiated by rape or misadventure, it is a horror. Such unfortunate women look directly into nature's heart of Darkness. For a fetus is a benign tumor, a vampire who steals in order to live. The so-called miracle of birth is nature getting her own way.

- Paglia, Camille

Good work, Mary. We all knew you had it in you.

- Parker, Dorothy

I positively think that ladies who are always enceinte quite disgusting; it is more like a rabbit or guinea-pig than anything else and really it is not very nice.

- Victoria, Queen

Most of a modest woman's life was spent, after all, in denying what, in one day at least of every year, was made obvious.

- Woolf, Virginia



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