

10:47:24 1 Q. You testified that you had two children. Did
2 being sexually abused effect the way that you parented
3 these two children?

4 A. Yes.

10:47:37 5 Q. How did it effect the way that you parented
6 them?

7 A. I was always so hard on them, especially with
8 my daughter.

9 Q. How were you hard on your daughter?

10:47:57 10 A. I would hardly ever let her go anywhere or do
11 anything.

12 Q. Why?

13 A. Because I didn't want her to go through the
14 things I went through.

10:48:13 15 Q. Do you believe you have a close relationship
16 with your children now?

17 A. Actually, it has kind of effected the way with
18 my daughter -- the way I was with her, overprotected.
19 I mean, we still love each other, dearly. But she has
10:48:38 20 issues because I was so strict with her.

21 Q. You testified that you were involved in the
22 church as a child. Has this effected your -- has the
23 abuse effected your involvement in the church or your
24 faith in God?

10:49:01 25 A. My involvement in the church, yes. I was

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10:49:10 1 lector at the community ministry for a while, but since
2 I've been back -- I just can't get involved like that
3 with the church. I've been asked to, but I just can't
4 do it. As far as my faith, no. That's one thing he
10:49:37 5 didn't take away from me.

6 Q. How has it affected you knowing that he's been
7 practicing as a priest all these past years?

8 A. I can't believe that he was up there
9 pretending to be somebody he wasn't, trying to preach
10:50:06 10 the word of God when all he was was nothing but a
11 monster.

12 Q. You testified that you had an abortion as a
13 teenager as a result of the defendant sexually
14 assaulting you. How has the affected you?

10:50:40 15 A. There's times I cry myself to sleep and I ask
16 this child to forgive me for what I did because it
17 wasn't the baby's fault. When my children were going
18 through confirmation, they asked us parents to go watch
19 a video that they were going to show the kids and it
10:51:15 20 had to do with abortion. That was probably the hardest
21 thing I've had to do, because it just brought back all
22 the memories of when I was -- of what I had to go
23 through.

24 Q. You say that you've asked for forgiveness.
10:51:47 25 Have you forgiven yourself?

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10:51:59 1 A. I don't think so.

2 Q. You talked about your kids going through
3 confirmation. Did you have your kids involved in the
4 church?

10:52:01 5 A. Not really. I mean, I had them make their
6 First Communion and get confirmed, but as far as
7 pushing them into anything else, I did not.

8 Q. Why did you have them still do their
9 confirmation?

10:52:18 10 A. Because it's important for me for them to
11 believe in God and to know that God is there for them,
12 just like he's the one that got me through all of this.

13 Q. Has it affected you knowing now that there was
14 another victim -- another child victim after you?

10:52:56 15 A. Yes, it has.

16 Q. How has it affected you?

17 A. I feel bad. I feel guilty for not coming
18 forward sooner.

19 Q. Why do you feel that way?

10:53:22 20 A. Because nobody deserves to have this happen to
21 them. We were all kids. No child deserves to go
22 through that.

23 Q. You sat here during closing arguments and you
24 heard that BA-1 also suffered a miscarriage. How did
10:53:54 25 that affect you?

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10:54:07 1 A. It just hurts to think that -- everything that
2 she had to through as well. It's been real hard
3 reliving it all.

4 Q. Do you still pray?

10:54:34 5 A. I do.

6 Q. Who do you pray to?

7 A. God.

8 Q. Do you ever speak to the baby that you lost?

9 A. I do, all the time.

10:54:56 10 Q. Did you ever believe you knew what sex he was
11 or what sex he or she was?

12 A. I always thought it was a boy.

13 Q. Why did you think that?

14 A. Because after I had the abortion, I had dream.

10:55:12 15 Q. What was your dream?

16 A. I just saw him, sitting outside, playing with
17 the kids.

18 MS. NAVA: Pass the witness.

19 THE COURT: Mr. Macias.

10:55:31 20 CROSS-EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. MACIAS:

22 Q. You say you have two children?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. A son and a daughter?

10:55:45 25 A. Yes, sir.

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