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because the people talk about her like she's a tramp. family wants to keep her in the closet and out of sight because she shamed the family. And this poor child, who has no way to turn, is going to go out on the street and somebody tell her, little sister, I got something that will help you deal with this. The preacher is not going to help you. He may be the one who impregnated her. I got something that will take your mind off this. You'll feel like you never felt before, I promise So she was told don't use drugs. He says, well, who are the ones who told you don't use drugs? The ones who tell you, you're a tramp. Just try it. And Senator Howard and Senator Beutler, they can't understand that. They can't understand the circumstances under which people use drugs. It's not just to get high for the feeling. There are people who face life which is so grinding toward them that they need a way to get some surcease, and by the way, they're not all young, they're not all poor, they're not all nonwhite. There are professional people, male and female, who take those drugs to try to make it. Why, there are senators sometimes who come over here with the smell of alcohol on their breath, lobbyists who have alcohol on their breath. What do they need to drink alcohol in the day for? get through that day and do what it is they've got to do. But they're excused. That's understood, because maybe the people on this floor would engage in the same thing. But only a female can get pregnant. Then all of these men and these deluded women who go along with them will say put your heel on her, and grind it. It's not that she engaged in sexual intercourse that's bad. Everybody does that. She didn't have sense enough to use birth control. That's what makes her a tramp. That's what makes her a slut. That's what makes her a "ho"; not because she engaged in sex but because she was uninformed or careless or got carried away during a moment and did something which she will live to regret. It's a good thing I'm not a "Chrishian" or I'd be right with you all saying burn her. Let's have an auto-de-fe, an act of faith; burn her at the stake. You know what a woman's role is to be in this society? Kept on her back with a man on top of her, and ironically, that position is labeled the missionary position, the "Chrishian" position. Churches dominated by men; corporations dominated by men; media dominated by men; if you look at the school paper today you'll see that the university here and all over the country, dominated by men; the financial