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### Re: Satanic Abuse

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>>>>At least something like that, for God's sake. Not just bland  
>>>>general allegations. Another way to put this, John, is that I'm  
>>>>asking how large your sample is, when you say "remember that  
>>>>[abduction] claims can wreck people's lives." How many  
>>>>abductees, even approximately, do you imagine you know anything  
>>>>about, and what percentage of them ruined their lives?

>>>>If you can't answer a question like that, you're just gossiping.

>>>>Greg Sandow

>>>>And this from someone who admitted just a few months ago that  
>>>>abduction researchers don't even have statistics on what  
>>>>proportion of their subjects are Black, White or Hispanic.

>>>>Exactly. I stated this very plainly, without first having to be  
>>>>challenged. (Though only concerning Budd Hopkins; I don't know  
>>>>about other researchers).

>>>>I think I named it as a problem, but if I didn't, I've done so  
>>>>in the past about other missing abduction statistics, such as  
>>>>the percentage of abductees who have the allegedly unexplainable  
>>>>marks Budd so often talks about.

>>>>Give it up, John. You're not making sense. This isn't a  
>>>>discussion about who's less scientific, abduction researchers or  
>>>>skeptics. I've always said abduction research has problems. It's  
>>>>a discussion about whether you, John Rimmer -- when you say  
>>>>abduction claims have ruined lives -- know what you're talking  
>>>>about.

>>>>Greg Sandow

>Hi all,

>Has anybody given thought to the idea that the 'wrecked lives'  
>and the 'abduction experience' may be just symptoms of some

>other condition?

>Regards,  
>Leanne ];-)

Hi Leanne,

It never ceases to amaze me how witness testimony (when it relates to UFOs or UFO occupant sightings) can be dismissed or minimized by declaring/insinuating/assuming that it is the result of "some other condition." In ufology (for some reason) all witness testimony is immediately considered suspect when it is a UFO \_occupant\_ incident that is being reported. It must be "something else" or some other "condition" as you so indelicately phrase it.

I watched a program the other night where the case of the Allagash four was being discussed. One of our list members had participated and his judgement of the case was that; "They had a UFO sighting alright, that much is certain." But, he drew the line at the possibility that there could have been any interaction between the witnesses/victims and the occupants of the UFO. He was ready to acknowledge the UFO but not the possibility that it was occupied by someone(s) who may have had a reason for persuing these four human specimens. The UFO report involved a \_chase\_. Why does anyone "chase" something if not for the purpose of "catching" it! That there could not have been any interaction with the crafts' occupants was not a logical conclusion to arrive at if one had accepted the part of the report of a frightening close encounter with a UFO. At that point the interpretation becomes a manifestation of individual denial and the act of someone who is being (subjectively) selective about \_what\_parts\_ of any given testimony he or she is going to give credence to. I'll believe this part, but I won't believe that part because it doesn't fit into my personal world view. What is that?

Greg asks John Rimmer to give him 'numbers and sources' for his claim that so many lives have been "wrecked by abduction." Of course John could never provide such statistics because he would have had to conduct a major/monumental survey in order to acquire them. No such survey has ever been conducted. And in all fairness to John neither have any of the so-called abduction researchers taken such a survey. All Greg will get out of John in response to his request will be more of the finger-pointing and rhetoric that he's been getting. ex:

>abduction researchers don't even have statistics on what  
>proportion of their subjects are Black, White or Hispanic.

Don't hold yer breath waiting for hard numbers from either side. The 'investigation' into the UFO abduction phenomenon (with rare exception) has to be one of the most incompetent and mismanaged investigations in the history of mankind. Nothing short of sad and laughable. Keystone Cops stuff with all concerned stumbling and tripping all over themselves. \_Everybody\_ dropped the ball on this one! The depth of our ignorance and stupidity is truly profound.

I'm pretty much of a mind that the \_only\_ thing that is \_ever\_ going to convince anyone is if they experience it/see it all for themselves. My concern is that by the time the reality of UFOs and alien abduction becomes common knowledge (and I'm \_completely\_ confident it will be one day) it may be way too late to do anything about it if our "visitors" aren't here for purely benevolent reasons. Gotta wake up before it's too late.

Peace,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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