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did my parents sit down and discuss anything with me. I believe this was SOPER's way of teaching me the subject for his own sexual gratification.

My relationship with my parents was strained. It was failing on my part because of what was happening to me and my only wish was that I could have told my mother why but SOPER took her away from me. I couldn't tell them, their faith was so strong they couldn't have believed it of a priest. I so wanted to tell her but I was pent up with so much anger and was behaving totally out of character. I was very angry as a teenager and would often have outbursts of anger towards people and property. This was not me as a person, not who I really was but I was rebelling because of SOPER. Although it may sound callous, I was happy when my Father died as it finally allowed me to build up the courage to tell people about SOPER. My Father would never have believed me. I had a strict Catholic upbringing but no longer have any Faith. SOPER ruined my belief in God and as a result I refuse to speak with anyone connected to the Church.

My prospects of getting a decent job and something to fund my retirement all went out of the window. I have had numerous jobs but always failed to hold them down due to my excessive drinking. I have no personal pension and will have to rely on the State pension. I have been in a lot of financial debt over the years, losing a DPA business because I was no longer mentally capable of running it. I now live in a Council house and am in receipt of benefits as I am unable to work. As one time, I was spending in excess of £500 a week on alcohol and was drinking myself into oblivion because I just didn't know what to do with my life.

I have failed, up until now, to maintain a personal relationship with anyone. I lost contact with my son and daughter due to my behaviour and their mothers will have nothing more to do with me because of what I became. I lost them and my homes as a consequence of SOPER's abuse. I just moved from one relationship to another. I couldn't respect the relationships I entered into. I wanted everything to be normal but I couldn't open up to anyone. I turned to drink, as an escape, when things got tough or the conversations were too difficult. On the drink I would become argumentative, obnoxious and awkward when being spoken too, I would rather just get rid of my relationship than face up to why I was behaving like I was. I have only just started to try to rebuild a relationship with my children as I am trying to put all that happened behind me. I hope they will understand why I was the way I was and forgive me. I

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