



The Truth

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“You shall not murder.” (Deuteronomy 6:17)

“If life begins at conception, and it does; if murder is the taking of an innocent life, and it is; if abortion is murder, and it is; then aborting an innocent, unborn baby for whatever reason at whatever stage after conception, is in fact, murder.” –Dave–



This is where pursuing the Aletheia truth no matter where it leads causes us to go down a bumpy road. It's not a pleasant country drive or thrilling and speedy ride down the interstate.

It is a ride where your innards get jostled, your head gets banged, and all the occupants are upset by the journey. But sometimes driving down a bumpy road is the only way to get to the destination.

So it is with the subject of abortion.

There has been much written on the subject of abortion and the numerous attempts to abolish it or limit it. Time and space does not allow for a thorough review. Some of the information will be posted in the “To The Streets” page.

Nevertheless there needs to come a reckoning in the pro-life and/or conservative moment. Even more so it needs to happen in the Church.

We can no longer avoid the bumpy road that is the conflict of how to deal with abortion.

The Truth Newsletter looks at a current issue in the light of Scripture and historical fact. And the truth of the matter is what we have in the pro-life movement is not either pro-life, conservative, scripturally-defensible, nor would it be accepted by the founders.

There is much emotion to this subject: how best do we attack the abortion industry? Do we save 99 babies at the expense of 1; is the drowning children scenario in play or not?

This week's newsletter will focus on seeing how Scripture handles abortion and how the Founders dealt with the subject, if at all. Additionally, you will be given much to think about to come up with your own conclusion.

At the end you will be able to insert factually accurate points into this very divisive topic.

The survival of our republic depends on nothing less.

FROM THE FOUNDERS



Were our Founding Fathers to have our technology to know scientifically that life begins at conception, they would no doubt recognize it as such, but they would also protect the unborn baby.

“With consistency, beautiful and undeviating, human life from its commencement to its close, is protected by the common law. In the contemplation of law, life begins when the infant is first able to stir in the womb. By the law, life is protected not only from immediate destruction, but from every degree of actual violence, and in some cases, from every degree of danger.” “Lectures on Law,” Ch. 12, p. 597 in The Works of James Wilson. James Wilson, one of only six men to sign both the Declaration and the Constitution, and was a Supreme Court justice from 1789 to 1798.

Some pro-abortion historians would have you believe that abortion was never on the minds of the Founding Fathers. The above quote dispels that nonsensical teaching. A stirring in the womb, also known as “quickening” was evidence of life in a woman’s womb and that life was protected by law. Today, every pro-life advocate believes that life begins at conception and science proves as much. Sadly though, not all pro-life supporters support laws that protect the baby at conception.

These well-meaning yet misguided Americans believe that not only should legislation allow for the murder of some unborn children (cases of rape, incest, mother’s life in danger, sonogram-first and heartbeat laws), but also some of them support the government funding of some of these abortions (see [Hyde Amendment](#)).

Imagine trying to convince James Wilson, John Adams, James Madison, Patrick Henry, Fisher Ames, John Witherspoon, and Benjamin Rush, just to name a few, that not only should we allow abortions in some cases, but that the taxpayer would be required to pay for such infanticide.

A not-too-exhaustive search of the Founders’ words would lead any intellectually-honest American to know that these brave men did not sign a Declaration of Independence, acknowledging the God-given unalienable right to life, just to have that right negotiated away by legislation.

FROM THE PULPIT

“As Christians, we need to remember that what is legal is not necessarily moral in God’s sight. Morality is not determined by popular or judicial opinion, but by what the Bible says.” Pastor Steve Cole, from his sermon “What The Bible Says About Abortion”, January 25, 2004

One of the most heinous lies embraced and perpetrated by the pro-life movement and far too many pastors is that on January 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion in it’s ruling Roe v. Wade. Even Pastor Cole erroneously begins his 2004 sermon stating this.

Courts cannot make law; they never have been able to and the Founders never intended for them to. But let us entertain for one moment that this lie is true. What should churches across America have done and do in light of Roe v. Wade? They should have demanded that the President and Congress completely ignore such a law as unconstitutional and unbiblical.

Our Declaration of Independence and 5th and 14th Amendments of the US Constitution protects all innocent life, born and unborn.

However, more importantly, God is the giver and taker of life and no man or law can decide against God’s law and it be considered legal or holy. God has made it abundantly clear in His Holy Word that He considers the unborn precious:

“For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them.” (Psalm 139:13-16)

As “One Nation Under God” truly blessed by the God of the Bible, do we as a nation believe that we can condone the indiscriminate murder of over 50 million unborn children and still be under the protective and providential hand of God? If your answer is yes, care to defend that position biblically and/or historically?

America long ago stopped trusting and obeying in the Lord Jesus Christ for deliverance and has for too long bowed at the steps of Congress, the Supreme Court, and the White House.

We the Church of Jesus Christ can no longer condone, support, elect, or justify any legislator or legislation that allows the killing of an innocent, unborn baby...for any reason.

TO THE STREETS

How do we deal with this difficult and emotional subject. Of course we must do so in love yet standing unapologetically and unashamedly on the aletheia truth. Here are some steps we can take to help turn our nation away from and finally end the scourge of abortion:

1. Above all, pray. Satan loves all murder and we are in a spiritual battle and the battle takes place individually in our prayer closets and corporately in our churches.
2. Vote for only true pro-life candidates. If the candidate is a pro-life [except](#) person then help them understand that we do not kill the unborn children of criminals (rape and incest) and that a doctor is expected to work to save both lives (mother's live in danger). These are straw-men arguments. (Read Gregg Jackson's [book](#) "Conservative Comebacks to Liberal Lies.")
3. Write your current lawmakers and explain to them your biblical definition of pro-life and ask them to not only consider your position, but also to embrace it. Let him or her know that your vote counts on it.
4. I know of only one biblically true pro-life movement; that is the American Right to Life ([ARTL](#)). You can support them with your money. All other national level pro-life organizations support abortions with exceptions.
5. The church should not tolerate its members support of abortion for any reason. This may seem harsh but we must stand on the biblical truth that ALL life is precious to God and only He can determine who lives or dies. That decision can never be made by a woman or a doctor.

Trying the incrementalist approach, such as choosing heartbeat legislation over a personhood amendment is not acceptable. Read ARTL's fine [article](#) "Good and Bad Incrementalism" to get to the aletheia truth about this type of compromise.

To help you understand better why the incrementalist approach is biblically unacceptable, please read the articles linked below. This will bring clarity of mind and some excellent talking points to bring into a conversation wrought with emotion. It's time to present principled facts to the abortion debate.

[So-Called Hard Case: Rape](#)
[Oppose Exceptions Because...](#)
[Chipping Away or Selling Out?](#)
[Abortion Is NOT Legal!](#)

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