

Hypocrisy and Abortion

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One of the common criticisms of a church is that it is “full of judgmental hypocrites.” But that generalization simply displays one’s hypocrisy since it is inherently judgmental.

Of course, there are hypocrites in churches, just as there are hypocrites in all walks of life. There are people who are not sincere about their commitment, but are just acting the part (the Greek word for “hypocrite” is the same word for “actor”).

But if one is going to talk about hypocrisy at all, he had better be ready for the backlash. Whatever we might think about people in churches, the greatest evidence of hypocrisy is displayed front and center on our national stage.

Just last week, there was a “march” in Washington, D. C., and in other major cities across the country. It was a march for abortion rights acting as a march “for women.” But not all women were included. Pro-life women were excluded.

That’s hypocrisy.

There is rampant hypocrisy in the “Abortion Rights” movement. These people rail against racism, misogyny and other “sins of society,” yet these same people radically support the killing of children in the womb. This is a horrible black mark on our society, a form of genocide.

The Truth in Numbers

For 8 years, those of us who believe a child in the womb is a real child, a real person have had to put up with a President who glowingly spoke of “a woman’s right to choose,” a phrase that turns my stomach every time I hear it. It’s a euphemism for killing a helpless human being.

If you want the hard facts about abortion, visit the pro-life website (<http://www.numberofabortions.com>). I warn you; it may make you sick to your stomach. If you’ve ever seen a ticker that shows the rising national debt or how quickly the rainforests are shrinking, you’ll get the idea. This website includes a ticker of the abortions performed at any given time, in real time. For example, at 8:28 AM on Friday, worldwide abortions that day were at 38,705 and rising at the rate of about one per second. At 10:06, there were 46,200.

In the U.S., there have been 59,703,513 abortions and counting since Roe v. Wade passed in 1973. Since 1970, Planned Parenthood has performed 7,632,747 and that number is climbing by the minute; they performed over 23,300 abortions this year, and it’s only January.

Hypocrisy or Ignorance?

For all the talk about dangers to a woman's health, and other excuses, most women have an abortion because it's not convenient or financially expedient to have a child, or to have another child. That fact is indisputable (see any pro-life or pro-choice website).

But the most common justification for abortion, according to activists, is that a fetus is not a human being. Therefore, killing the fetus is justified.

This argument is not self-evident, by any means. Nearly every state in the Union will charge a perpetrator with double-murder if a pregnant woman is murdered, at any stage of her pregnancy. If a fetus is not a child, then how is that possible?

But let's take this a step further. Consider how the reasoning compares with historical acts of genocide:

- Hitler and his cronies, in the late 1930s, decided that Jews were not human so they could be exterminated for their convenience.
- America, 1700-1865 (and then some): Blacks were not human, they were "property," chattel, to be used and disposed of at the will of the owner.
- America, 1973 to present: a child in the womb is not human; therefore, it's legal to abort them for one's convenience.

The connection with the Jewish holocaust isn't something I've dreamed up. Several books have been written making the connection. *The Abortion Holocaust: Today's Final Solution* was written by William Brennan, Professor in the School of Social Services at St. Louis University. He also authored *Dehumanizing the Vulnerable: When Word Games Take Lives*.

In an article, President Reagan quoted Brennan: "The cultural environment for a human holocaust is present whenever any society can be misled into defining individuals as less than human and therefore devoid of value and respect."

I have studied Nazism for many years; it intrigues me because, while Hitler was a madman, the ideas he promoted were embraced by "normal" people in Germany, people who are just like us. Not everyone agreed with him, of course, but enough did that he had his way with an entire nation for several years. He convinced enough people that Jews were not human beings and that view enabled him to abuse and kill millions of them, including small children, with the aid of thousands of German citizens.

When comparing that reasoning with the radical pro-choice movement, the parallels are striking, and horrifying. In both cases, many are convinced that a certain class of beings is not human; therefore, anyone in that class are expendable, at the whim of those in charge.

The mind-set of the Nazis and that of abortion rights activists is too similar ignore and is frightening. Yet many of these people are the same people who advocate for the rights of animals (especially the cute ones) because animals "can't defend themselves."

Planned Parenthood

The top has been blown off of “Planned Parenthood” and its claim that abortion makes up only 3% of their services. That’s a lie. In an undercover video recorded on July 25, 2014, by investigators from The Center for Medical Progress, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, senior director for medical services for the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, said, “We have 40 percent of the [abortion] market in the whole country.” She added, “because what’s happening is, the laws, the legal environment, is not shutting us down. They’re shutting everyone else down.”

Planned Parenthood is a misnomer; it has become synonymous with abortion and therefore, has become primarily focused on how to avoid parenthood at all costs. Its founder, Margaret Sanger, was a racist who wanted to weed out the weaklings from society. Planned Parenthood tries to distance itself from that aspect of her life, but she authored several articles on “eugenics,” an applied science aimed at improving the genetic composition of a population.

Listen to this:

At a March 1925 international birth control gathering in New York City, a speaker warned of the menace posed by the “black” and “yellow” peril. The man was not a Nazi or Klansman; he was Dr. S. Adolphus Knopf, a member of Margaret Sanger's American Birth Control League (ABCL), which along with other groups eventually became known as Planned Parenthood... Dr. Harry Laughlin, another Sanger associate and board member for her group, spoke of purifying America’s human “breeding stock” and urging America’s “bad strains.” These “strains” included the “shiftless, ignorant, and worthless class of antisocial whites of the South.” Sanger herself spoke of sterilizing those she designated as “unfit,” a plan she said would be the “salvation of American civilization.” [Source: blackgenocide.org].

Hypocrisy!

Propaganda

The abortion propaganda mill has been successful. I was surprised to learn, several years ago, that a survey of young women found that most did not think that getting an abortion was wrong. They had been taught that it was just a matter of “choice” and that a fetus is not a child. Some were shocked when given the facts. Even “Roe” (Norma McCovey) in *Roe v. Wade* has renounced her stand for abortion and is now pro-life.

I’m writing this in a church bulletin with the assumption that nearly all of those who read it already understand and agree that abortion is patently against God’s will. Therefore, I have not provided Scripture that proves a child in the womb is a human being. It is a self-evident truth. But there are many references to the womb in Scripture and not one scintilla of evidence that the fruit of the womb is not human.

One passage, Psalm 139:13 affirms it: For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb.

Other passages speak to this including Isaiah 49:1 and Job 31:15.

In an article entitled *The Bible and Abortion*, Betty Miller quotes Exodus 21:22 and says,

God gives a specific law regarding social order for the Israelites. He stated that if two men were fighting and hit a pregnant woman, thus causing her to give birth prematurely, they must be fined according to any damage done to the baby. The fine must be paid in relation to the amount of damage inflicted upon the child. If God would make a law specifically referring to the rights of the unborn, then surely the unborn must mean something to Him!

It has been stated, "If the womb had windows, there would be no abortion." As humans, we are not omnipresent and cannot know the full scope of what each human life is worth. We cannot dwell in the womb with a fetus, nor can we see it as it matures. But God can.

In the same article, under the heading of A Scientific View of Abortion, she says, Just 18 days after conception, the baby's heart begins to beat. At six weeks, brain waves can be measured. At eight weeks, the vital organs are functioning and fingerprints have formed. At nine weeks, the unborn baby is able to feel pain. Over 700,000 abortions each year are performed after this point in the pregnancy. By the beginning of the second month, the unborn child, small as it is, has begun to look distinctly human, though the mother may not even be aware that she is pregnant! By the time the baby is eleven weeks old, he or she breaths (fluid), swallows, digests, sleeps, dreams, wakes, tastes, hears, and feels pain. Babies born prematurely can survive outside the womb as young as 20-25 weeks old. Yet, all that is necessary to make the baby a grown human being is already there from the moment of conception. All it needs is time to mature.

What Should We Do?

Paul tells us, in Ephesians 5:11, to "take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them."

Abortion, as a public policy, is an ugly stain on America. We can't do a lot about it, individually, unfortunately.

All we can do is use the ballot box and make a decision to never knowingly vote for a politician who supports abortion. And we will only support men and women politicians who will appoint pro-life justices for federal courts and the Supreme Court.

But we do need to raise our voices against this horrendous practice — Paul tells us not only to avoid, but to expose the works of darkness. Will we be courageous and speak up and speak out?

While it is highly unlikely that abortion will be eliminated in our lifetime, we can do our best to speak into the lives of individuals, and to encourage women to seek adoptive services if they feel they cannot keep the child for some reason.

I have a feeling God will hold us responsible for our silence, if we fail to speak up; and that will not go well.