

## FOLLOW THE SCIENCE

by Barbara Buzzard

My attempt today is to offer some talking points, some answers to questions, some ways to get into the conversation about abortion. I hope to give perhaps some new or different ways to think about the subject so as to be that light to the world that we were meant to be. It is very possible that we have become jaundiced, thinking we have heard it all before. But are you able to engage with others, to help, to teach – come let us reason together. I have no condemnation whatsoever for anyone who has had an abortion or who has been involved in the abortion industry and has repented. God’s forgiveness will cover all. Mine is not a war on choice; it is a revulsion against killing.

It is said that: “There are three types of people: **those who see, those who see when they are shown, and those who do not see.**”<sup>1</sup> I would like to help you to see even more clearly so that you can help others to see. Assuming that you are a pro-life individual — you and I are the people who see. We can’t ever impact those who will never see or are determined not to see. But we *can* open the eyes of “*those who see when they are shown.*” Those are the people I am trying to reach, with your help. My favorite example of this is a man who accepted a pro-life brochure on the street. He took his time and read it thoroughly. Then he said “thank you” and in a broken voice, “*I didn’t know.*”

The thing is – this abomination called abortion has become so embedded in our society and has so infected the thinking of many that its horror has become acceptable. It has become the new normal. If we were to **follow the science** – it would inform us that without a shadow of a doubt life begins at conception. We continue to be deceived by those who treat the unborn as though they are not human; **this is an assault on science.** We have reached the low point in society where our leaders are now **celebrating** abortion, hailing it as a wonderful and sacred thing. What is profane is regarded as sacred in our very broken world.

I have a puzzle to put to you: when Roe v. Wade was first made into law, at least ½ of the country were utterly horrified. 50 years later those *same people* have acquiesced. And here’s the thing: they seem to take their cues about what is right and wrong *from the law.* That is dangerous and incoherent for a Christian. And please note this: **There is not one TV network that dares to show what an abortion actually is.** Abortionists engage in **acts so offensive** to the public that most media outlets refuse to describe them even in the abortionist’s own words. **The Evil One has a vested interest in our blindness.**

We probably all have earned the equivalent of a doctorate in pro-choice thinking – twisted thinking. Some have even begun to speak about the *sanctity of choice* rather than the sanctity of life – a world that has lost its mind. *We must ask ourselves this: why does someone die every time we utilize the word “choice”?* “Choice” has become a euphemism for abortion. *It totally disguises the horrors of abortion.* We are nearly drowning in pro-choice rhetoric but it is *fraudulent thinking.* For years the pro-choice position has had a hotline to our brains. In the name of women’s rights, babies’ rights (and lives) are snuffed out. It is incoherent that the right to life increases with size – then toddlers and adolescents would have less right to life than adults?! Why didn’t we ask every time we heard “women’s rights” – what about the baby’s right to go on living?! The lies embedded in the slogans of the pro-choice have all but crippled us: e.g. “Every child a wanted child” – **the measure is what we do with those who are unwanted. Shall we care for them or kill them?** And we are told that a fetus is not a person. Let me ask you this - **what magic happens at the moment of birth to make what is NOT a person into a person?!** If it is a human being in the light of day – it’s a human being in the darkness of the womb 60 seconds earlier. Please consider this every time you hear someone promote abortion up

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<sup>1</sup> Leonardo DaVinci

until the moment of birth as our leaders are now doing: ***there is no magic in a 4-inch trip through the birth canal that can make something human that is not already human. Birth does not make you human!***

There is an unrecognized disaster that has happened in our society which needs to be recognized. What has happened on a large scale is that *those who are not pro-choice have ceased to talk about it. We have chosen not to think about it, not to make our voices known, not to educate but to tolerate. We have been silent about a blasphemy. But the fact is that the more abortion gets talked about, the more the babies win.* The more you know, the more passionate you can be. And then there is this excellent news – ¾ of those marching in pro-life marches are younger than Roe v. Wade. They can see that this killing is wrong and are willing to say so. Whereas my generation has acquiesced to the killing and are willing to be silent about it because we have been deceived and have believed the lies — but you will often see slogans that say “my generation will end abortion.”

Do you have any Truth to tell or have you been beaten down by the world? The answer to this is tied in with what you plan to say to Jesus about your actions in this issue. Our marching orders are these: “Seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan” (Isa. 1:17b). If you have spoken up for life, you may well be encouraging others to speak. We *must* encourage others to speak – your pastor especially. There have been several excellent pro-life movies and many brilliant books to equip ourselves to have a conversation. Follow the science! A heartbeat at 3 weeks means that abortion is going to stop that beating heart. Please listen to Senator Kennedy as he attempts to get at the Truth about abortion. Please know that millions of people do not actually know what happens in an abortion. Yes, it may be uncomfortable, but should we be shielded from the Truth? You have to know what is going on in order to stand against it. (KENNEDY VIDEO)

My prayer is that Truth will make abortion unthinkable. There were hundreds of comments after this video. One man called it the most horrific thing in human history. Many denounced it as *pure evil*.

**How to counter pro-choice arguments:** (courtesy of Randy Alcorn’s wonderful book *Pro-Life Answers to Pro-Choice Arguments*)

- “A woman must have the right to choose.” ***But that right to choose is restricted whenever that choice would harm an innocent person.***
- “Freedom to choose” is a ubiquitous but meaningless concept. ***Freedom to choose what? Killing.***
- “It’s a private decision between a woman and her doctor.” ***Should we allow parents to abuse a toddler if it’s done in private?! Note that the approval by a doctor does not alter the nature or the morality of abortion.***
- Please see and acknowledge this faulty thinking: “if you cannot afford a child, you should be free to abort it.” ***Can you kill a toddler if he/she becomes too expensive?!***
- “This is a very complex issue. Women agonize over it.” We might ask the question – ***is it OK to kill my toddler if I agonize over it?***
- “Is it fair to bring into the world an unwanted child?” We might challenge this question with another: ***is it fair to kill a toddler if I no longer want him?***
- How do we deal with the accusation that we are “forcing our morality on all women”? The answer lies in this: ***if you saw a mother abusing her child, you would feel justified in forcing your morality upon her.***
- “Every woman should have control of her own body. Reproductive freedom is a basic right.” ***Since ½ of the babies aborted are females, at least 650,000 have had that right stolen from them by those who chose to abort them.***

- “I have the right to control my body.” But does mere ownership give us the right to kill innocent people we find on our property?
- “I have the right to control my life.” Not when it becomes the right to hurt and oppress others. This is rather like the analogy that your right to extend your arm ends where my nose begins.
- “We must have the right to choose.” Our pro-choice responses are often arbitrary. We are not pro-choice about seatbelts, robbing banks, or child abuse.
- There are a few “stop them in their tracks” questions which can be asked gently and uncritically such as:
  - 1) How do you know that to be true?
  - 2) Do you think you could believe something that isn’t true?
  - 3) What if you are wrong?
  - 4) Suggest that every time they hear the word “choice” – know that someone has to die.
  - 5) Fill in the blank: It is OK to kill a baby in the womb when \_\_\_\_? (Ray Comfort, New Zealand author and speaker, challenges the public with this.)
  - 6) Since “fetus” is the Latin word for baby or offspring, does it make any sense to deny that abortion takes that baby’s life?
  - 7) The word “right” used in the context of abortion means “right to kill.” So every time you hear “women’s rights” ask yourself: Where was the baby’s right to continue living?

Much of the work of pro-life activists is to help us clarify our thinking. Much of the thinking of pro-choice people is *denial*. We also have this working against us: **what we all know to be true we refuse to admit because of the difficulty it will make for us. Our consciences are soothed by euphemisms like “women’s healthcare.”** Before the abortion the baby in the womb is alive. After the abortion it is dead. It should revolt and sicken us. Jesus used his right of free speech as outrage over what was being done in the temple. Our sense of outrage should be in proportion to the enormity of the evil.

### How did they do it? Lies and word games

I could never speak about abortion without speaking about the lies that it was built upon. Lies upon lies upon lies, a very dark agenda, a blight and a scourge. Abortion relies on lies and deception, and those lies kill unborn children.

In Roe, the Supreme Court admitted: ‘If...personhood (for the unborn) is established, the... **case, of course, collapses,** for the fetus’ right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the (Fourteenth Amendment.’ How did they do it? Ram through the Roe v. Wade ruling. We didn’t fight back. We allowed ourselves to be deceived. The deceit has only been magnified so that we don’t even recognize what murder is. Those who control language control thought. Verbal engineering always precedes social engineering — it’s a schizophrenic assault on truth. Fraudulent thinking. Medicalized destruction.

The use of *nonperson* is perhaps the best-loved *hate speech* ever. We are reaping the effects of the lies we were told. To our detriment we were unaware of the planners whose dedicated scheming to invent word games had worked its black magic on our minds. *We need to be undeceived.*

### And what about Scripture?

What about Jesus? Since we must answer to him, doesn’t that compel us to be on his side? We **all have our own ways of ignoring information we choose not to act upon.** But it is to our detriment. We speak about loving our neighbor, but choose to ignore the unborn neighbor. It has been astutely said that a person’s right to swing his arm ends just where the other’s nose begins. We don’t have the right to injure another person in the exercise of our freedoms. That is why murder is a crime in every state.

The fact is that abortion always ends a human life – and that is a right we don't have. There is really no such thing as pro-choice. It is either pro-death or pro-life. Those are the only options.

There are bizarre and devious ways to attempt to say that the Bible approves abortion. The KJV uses the phrase “that holy **thing**” in Luke 1:35 and some think that means that when Jesus was still in the womb he was not yet a person.<sup>2</sup> The most significant thing about abortion legislation in biblical law is that there is none. It was so unthinkable that an Israelite woman should desire an abortion that there was no need to mention this offense in the criminal code.

**We are required to think biblically.** There are multiple Scriptures which reveal that the unborn are persons. That is why it is wrong to kill them. Our Messiah is named “my lord” while still in the womb (Luke 1:43). The word *brephos* occurs 4 times in Scripture. In Luke 1:41 and 44 it refers to an *unborn* child. In Luke 2:12 and 16 (and Jeremiah 20:15) the same word applies to a *born* child. So if we were to stake our theology on Scripture, we would clearly see that if it is forbidden to kill a child outside the womb, the same laws and logic apply to a baby in the womb. The Didache (early 2<sup>nd</sup> century document) says under the heading *Teaching of the Lord to the nations*: “Do not slay a child by abortion, nor what is begotten shall you destroy.”

### Demonic Involvement?

“Those angelic hosts who sinned were numerous...they taught men various sins...One taught enchantments, another astrology, another the making of swords, another the art [sin] of abortion.”<sup>3</sup> And so, with the help of demonic instruction we began to chart our course. For 47 years nine unelected men and women on the Supreme Court have played God with innocent human life. They have invented laws that condemned more than 62 million babies to painful deaths without trial for the crime of being inconvenient. It is utterly inconceivable that any nation, much less one with the Christian heritage of America, tolerate this cultural genocide against her weakest and most innocent among us.

“The demonic spirit of modern-day King Herod is alive and well on planet earth. The evil spirit of baby killing has just changed names to Planned Parenthood... All of them have unspeakable evil in their hearts.”<sup>4</sup> If, in fact, abortion is an updated form of child sacrifice, our indifference to God may well figure in to our national collapse. Can nations destroy their young and expect to survive? The lie that the preborn are not really human gives us the right to destroy them – babies who at 5 weeks can feel pain and have fully developed nervous systems at eight weeks. May God have mercy on us!

It is absolutely vital to know that the very man who orchestrated the Roe v. Wade abortion law says that it was demonically conceived and enabled by lying and wickedness. When he repented of his murderous tactics he spoke of the *moral squalor* that fed the abortion culture and how he became corrupt. He calls it a barbaric age; he was responsible for making abortion legal, affordable and available on demand and running the largest abortion clinic in the country. He speaks of the ruthless, nihilistic *pagan* attitudes and beliefs that finally drove him to unleash the abortion monster. I make no apologies to those who have heard this before – because I think it is positively dangerous not to know the roots of this monster called abortion. “In the absence of any but the most crass instruction in ...moral order, in the presence of a contempt for ethical relations with women, indeed for women themselves...in the expectation that I would follow this warped and twisted man, a monster was germinating within me.”<sup>5</sup> This man performed over 75,000 abortions himself only to say later after repentance that a love of abortion is a love of evil, a love of a perversion. Looking back, he regards

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<sup>2</sup> Ken LaPrade, “Overcoming Indoctrination on Abortion”

<sup>3</sup> *Hastings Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics*, Vol. 4, p. 600, referring to the book of 1 Enoch.

<sup>4</sup> Operation Rescue, 12/28/23

<sup>5</sup> Bernard Nathanson, *The Hand of God*

abortionists as odious quacks, lowlifes, mutilators, murderers and dirtbags with no ethical or moral boundaries.

### Today

That was then – what about today? Abortion is the leading cause of death worldwide with 73 million killed last year; 65,464,760 babies killed since 1973. This testimony in 2023 between two abortion employees on their lunch break: they had been discussing the fact that their last patient had asked them if it was a boy or a girl – showing that she knew that “it” was a being, not a blob or a piece of tissue. The story continues: “When our break was over we went back into the abortion chamber and invaded and emptied the womb of another woman. My reasoning and conscience never took the next step. Neither she nor I asked the logical next questions: Could it be that destroying these little lives is wrong? That it’s the wrong thing for the mother as well as the baby? And that it was the wrong thing for the doctor to do in the first place?”

“Shame on us! We sold out at the cost of millions of lives. Doctors should have never accepted the role of executioners when Roe v. Wade was passed. Doctors could have shouted a collective ‘No!’ We could have insisted that abortion is not medicine and pregnancy is not a disease. But we cowered to the prevailing voices of the day and **lost our moral footing**. My coworker and I were romanced by the dollars lining our pockets.” What if these two abortion employees recognized the lies about abortion and had been challenged with the morality of it?

One former abortionist doctor, utterly repentant, says that along with the entire country she became brainwashed. She says that she had always thought of herself as a good person, that is until she realized that she had killed more people than most mass murderers. This doctor feels that she became a mass murderer in a holocaust of the unborn.

*Today we have a new word to cover the ever expanding industry of abortion.* There is now an **abortuary** chain in at least four states, claiming to provide a spa-like experience for your abortion – warm robes and hot tea, etc. Perhaps you could even get your nails done there. This is a world oppressed by the powers of darkness. Those who are pro-abortion are constantly shifting the focus from *what happens* to *when it happens*. What happens is beyond hideous as is demonstrated by the abortion doctor who when an ultrasound revealed the baby trying to escape his cutting tools, put them down and never did another one.

### What about Chemical Abortions? (55% of abortions)

Do it yourself – available at your corner drugstore. Taking the mifepristone drug is 4 times as dangerous to the mother as abortive surgery. It is a dangerous and life threatening procedure. Pill-related emergency visits are up 500% since this pill was approved. One in twenty who take the drug will require surgery to stop bleeding; infection is a risk, all increasing trauma.<sup>6</sup> Mifepristone is linked to between 28 and 32 women’s deaths and 4,000 serious complications. Non-fatal complications do not have to be recorded. Its safety is spread by a lying, power-hungry, killing industry. Operation Rescue has been instrumental in documenting the dangers of these drugs for many years. Incomplete abortions, hemorrhaging, and ruptured ectopic pregnancies are all common complications. Even the FDA has acknowledged that at least 32 women have died after taking the abortion inducing drugs since 2000.

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<sup>6</sup> SBA Pro-Life America, 1:10:24

## The Ethics of Killing

“In right-to-life ethical reasoning, a seven-weeks-pregnant abortion is *as unacceptable as* a thirty-weeks-pregnant abortion. (It’s like) distinguishing between the killing of two-year-olds and the killing of eight-year-olds...”<sup>7</sup>

This is an example of the human heart suppressing unwelcome knowledge. When a doctor who was used to doing first term abortions was learning how to do second trimester abortions, he could not as he nearly fainted at the sight and at *feeling the life* which he would soon extinguish. Also he simply could not stop thinking about Nazi Germany.<sup>8</sup> The tragedy is multiplied when after his death a mother wrote: “He killed my unborn baby in 1978.” What a hideous legacy. And so the work of Margaret Sanger, eugenicist goes on — killing children for profit. If we believe in God why do we ignore Him on this moral issue? How can we survive if we call immoral things moral?

Dr. Michael Christie admits: “I feel that I’m actually killing them. And that kind of feeling I don’t like to live with...money is a big factor in why I do this. And I think that most doctors who do abortions also do them for the money.”<sup>9</sup> Another doctor said doing these abortions was fairly boring but that she was *repulsed* along with her staff when she got a large fetus. *One doctor is noted as saying that before he dies, he wants to forget what it feels like to take a life.*

The moral question here is moral quicksand. The deliberate push to reverse our moral compass has affected all of us, whether we recognize it or not. *On what moral grounds does a mother have the right to choose her baby’s expiration date?*

“Everyone, on some scale of life, is compelled to be an intellectual force. They must think. They must act. They must value. Avoidance of such is the *very nature of depravity* and the root of society’s ills.”<sup>10</sup> When you decide that a certain segment of our population can legally be killed – this is like a cancer that has metastasized.

## Your Silence Speaks Volumes

Is it necessary to engage? Our moral sense was put in us by our Creator and not to be ignored. What is our responsibility in all of this, and our responsibility to our unborn neighbor? Don’t you have to join the side you are on? *Abortion is the worst human rights violation in all history. We must tell ourselves the truth! Abortion is a procedure of elimination.* There is a luminous power to Truth, but it must be *engaged* in. Consider this from the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.: most Germans neither aided nor opposed the actions of the Nazis, thereby, permitting the holocaust to occur.

We are called to witness. All it takes for evil to win is for good people to remain silent. A civilized society does *not* demand the right to kill its most vulnerable citizens. Who gave us the right to decide who may live and who must die?

## Conclusions

Abortion is not compatible with being a Christian. It is child sacrifice and it is murder. By contrast, we are to *hate* bloodshed.

Silent consent to the legalization of murder is not acceptable. Abortion is a uniquely heinous sin — so says Scripture. It possibly exceeds all previous atrocities with its 60+ million lives taken. We are to cherish and protect. We are commanded to protect the innocent and rescue those being led away to slaughter. How long can good people remain silent?

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<sup>7</sup> Harper’s, 2004

<sup>8</sup> *Articles of Faith*, a pro-abortion book

<sup>9</sup> Magda Denes, *Necessity and Sorrow, Life and Death in an Abortion Hospital*

<sup>10</sup> Patrick Gentempo

As Dr. Martin Luther King said, “Our lives begin to end the day we are silent about things that matter.” And he also warned that “to ignore evil is to become an accomplice to it. Not to speak is to speak.” **Silence allows evil to win.**

“Who among us has any conception of the dimensions of shame that will befall us and our children when one day the veil has fallen from our eyes and the most horrible of crimes ...reach the light of day?” (Hans Scholl, written during that other Holocaust.)

“The abortion holocaust is beyond the ordinary discourse of morality and rational condemnation. It is not enough to pronounce it absolutely evil...The abortion industry is a new evil, severed from connections with... history, psychology, politics, and morality...This is an evil torn free from its moorings in reason and causality, and ordinary secular corruption raised to unimaginable and limitless extremity.”<sup>11</sup>

**Our hearts are such that we may consciously or unconsciously suppress unwelcome knowledge, but the most dangerous people to deceive are ourselves.** Christianity’s shockingly awful **non-involvement** is a betrayal of all that Christians are supposed to stand for. We must enact the faith that we profess. How, as Christians can we who have received mercy, deny it to the innocent and vulnerable? Those who love God have a duty to stop our society’s apathetic acceptance of barbarity and brutality. Where is the outrage of the people of God? **As Christians we are not permitted to call evil good (John 5:20).** Not only is it forbidden to us but it is morally incoherent. God hates hands that shed innocent blood. It is never lawful, even for the gravest reasons, to do evil that good may come of it. Evil must never be called good, nor good evil. If good and evil are confused, not only are we more likely to do evil, but we are deprived of one of the greatest gifts ever – to repent and to be forgiven. Being part of the **attack on life** would not put one in a good position to enter the Kingdom of God.

### **The Courtrooms of Our Minds**

As believers in the sanctity of life, the power is in our hands to make a difference.

As believers we should help women and men to see the deceit and to stand against it.

Let us remember that under the Old Covenant the spilled blood of animals was of such value that God deemed it acceptable for sin. And then Jesus’ blood was of such incredible value that it was deemed as an acceptable sacrifice for ALL humanity. The rivers of blood from the killing of babies are a blasphemy against our God. As abortion sucks the life out of those tiny bodies – it can also suck the life out of our souls. May God help us!

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<sup>11</sup> Dr. Bernard Nathanson, former abortionist doctor.