

We Must Embrace Life in the Womb

Forty-two years ago our country embraced the tragedy of legalized abortion. With the decision of Roe v. Wade and its companion case, Doe V. Bolton, the right to kill an unborn child became legal through all nine months of pregnancy. The Supreme Court derived the right to an abortion from the “Due Process Clause” of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, which was passed shortly after the Civil War to uphold the natural rights of life and liberty for all human beings, specifically the personhood of black Americans. Ironically, an amendment enacted to protect the dignity of every human person was perverted in order to sanction killing that same life in the womb. Sadly, the discrimination continues today as a black baby is five times more likely to be aborted than a white baby.

Extending protection and rights to only some human beings leads to unimaginable injustices perpetrated upon the most defenseless among us. Treating human life in the womb as a piece of property with rights subject to another is no different than declaring someone to be less than human because of physical or ideological differences. While we are all unique and different on the outside, we all share the same human nature made in the image and likeness of God.

Our community must join together to reject all forms of violence, especially legalized killing of the unborn.

May we all strive to help those facing a crisis pregnancy to embrace the life of their child in the womb rather than embrace the lie of abortion.

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