

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRO LIFE AND ABOLITION: 2

Timothy 3:16-17

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INTRODUCTION/CONTEXT. Brothers and sisters in Christ, friends, and visitors, I need you to afford me the curtesy of permitting me to give you an extensive Introduction to this sermon.

Parents, I am choosing not to address the children directly in this sermon. I encourage you to learn and explain this issue of abortion to them.

Now, I realize speaking clearly and forcefully about abortion is not the most comfortable thing to speak on for many reasons.

- **I) I know some of you struggle with infertility and this topic is heartbreaking because you want to have children.** To you I say, "We will continue to pray for you to be blessed with children naturally or through adoption. I am sorry if this subject causes pain for you. That is not my intent. My intent is to 'speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves' (Proverbs 31) and "rescue those being taken away to death' (Proverbs 24).
- **II) I know some of you have had miscarriages and this topic could bring up painful memories.** To you I say, "I believe your children are with Jesus, just as David believed his son was in [2 Samuel 12:13](#). Christ will heal all your harms, if you belong to Him by grace. My intent is not to bring up painful memories. My intent is to honor Christ by establishing justice on behalf of the preborn so that our neighbors are protected from the intentional termination of the life.
- **III) I know some of you have had abortions or have assisted others with an abortion or have been passive in this abortion holocaust, and there is blood on your hands.** To you I say, "There is no stain of iniquity that Jesus cannot wash out by His blood. There is no guilt He cannot free you from. There is no sin that is a match for His grace. 'If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness' (1 John 1:9). There is forgiveness for the sin of abortion, but that does not mean it should be legal!"

Many pastors will not preach on this subject. I know because they have TOLD ME SO TO MY FACE. They are fearful that those who are post abortive or struggle with infertility or have had miscarriages will just feel pain and guilt. I hate it. But it must be done for God's glory and our neighbors' good.

You know how precious human life is and you know how evil it is to

murder babies. Rather than letting your past or present pain make the subject of abortion push you down into darkness, I ask you to let it raise you up to stand for justice!

QUESTION 1. Why is abortion something we need to focus on?

Since 1973 we have allowed women to murder more humans than men have killed in the entirety of wars in all of human history.

- ***Low estimates are 3.5 billion have been murdered by women worldwide since 1973 via what we call abortion. High estimates are 1 billion have been killed in all wars in all of human history.***
- ***There have been about 70 million reported acts of child-sacrifice at murder mills alone, in the US, since 1973. *California has not even reported since the early 2000's.***
- ***Roughly 12 million women are using hormonal birth control in the U.S. right now, all of which have an abortifacient mechanism, and all of which doubtlessly lead to millions of unreported baby murders each year.***
- ***About a million and a half of our neighbors are in cryo-prisons due to IVF, with countless others slain in the process.***
*It takes about 30 dead babies to get one live birth through *In vitro Fertilization (IVF).*

All of this has happened under cover of law. Our man made laws say this is simply a medical procedure, yet God calls it murder, nay! Even worse—God calls it child sacrifice.

QUESTION 2. What happens when a people permits child sacrifice to continue in their land?

A. One of the things that happens when a people permit child sacrifice is that the Lord brings them under judgement, and that specific judgement is foreigners invading and wreaking havoc.

- ***"Moses wrote in Deuteronomy 28:49-50, "The Lord will bring a nation against you from far away, from the end of the earth, swooping down like the eagle, a nation whose language you do not understand, a hard-faced nation who shall not respect the old or show mercy to the young."***
- ***Foreigners invading and bringing destruction to a people is also judgment promised in Isaiah 1:7: "Your country lies desolate; your cities are burned with fire; in your very presence foreigners devour your land; it is desolate, as overthrown by foreigners."***

Henry wrote, "National impiety and immorality bring national

desolation. Canaan, the glory of all lands, Mount Zion, the joy of the whole earth, both became a reproach and a ruin; and sin made them so, that great mischief-maker." [20]

The explicit reason God gives for His judgment in this context is that His peoples' "hands are filled with blood" (Is. 1:15). To understand this properly we need to comprehend the context of Isaiah's day. Isaiah's ministry began in the time of king Uzziah, continued during the time of kings Jotham and Ahaz, and concluded during the reign of king Hezekiah, all kings of Judah, the southern kingdom of Israel (Is. 1:1). Uzziah did not tear down the high places in Judah, where idols were worshiped and children were sacrificed to demon gods (2 Ki. 15:4; 1 Cor. 10:20). Jotham also did not tear down the high places, but, as his father Uzziah had, he made peace with idol worship and child sacrifice in the land (2 Ki. 15:35). Then Ahaz, Jotham's son, did not tear down the high places and even sacrificed his own son by making him pass through the fire, though the Lord had commanded his people not to sacrifice their children and said that any who does such a thing should be put to death (2 Ki. 16:3; Lev. 20:1-5). Then lastly, toward the end of Isaiah's ministry, king Hezekiah did in fact tear down the high places, abolishing child sacrifice in Judah during his reign, and establishing justice for all image bearers in the land (2 Ki. 18:4).

So what is this blood that their hands are full of in Isaiah 1:15? It is blood of the high places. It is the blood of children being sacrificed in their land when the Lord had explicitly commanded not only the king, but all the people, to never close their eyes to child sacrifice (Lev. 20:1-5). The Lord allowed foreigners to invade as a sign of His judgment because of their participation in, peace with, or passivity toward child sacrifice happening among them. The immigration chaos of the 21st century is downstream from the fact that our "hands are filled with blood" (Is. 1:15)."
— **Brett Baggett. The Land of the Feeble and the Home of the Butchered: The Condition and Needed Repentance of the United States of America Concerning Child Sacrifice in the Twenty-First Century (pp. 24-26). Kindle Edition.**

QUESTION 3. What is the state of abortion in Oklahoma and the nation as a whole?

AI. THE PRO LIFE MOVEMENT HAS TOLD YOU AND I THAT AT LEAST 14 STATES ARE ABORTION FREE.

- Since the Dobbs decision, wherein Roe v. Wade was overturned and the Supreme Court made the decision that, as far as they are concerned, each State is allowed to make the decision based on whether or not babies are permitted by law to be murdered—since that happened Trigger

Laws went into effect and subsequent legislation was passed which the PLM says made 14 states abortion free.

- **Students for Life, as one example, said, "14 down, 36 to go!" Along with a map that shows the U.S. and says, "As of December 10th, 2023, 14 states are completely Abortion-Free!" On the map they show,**

1. Idaho
2. North Dakota
3. South Dakota
4. Missouri
5. Oklahoma
6. Indiana
7. Texas
8. Arkansas
9. Louisiana
10. Kentucky
11. Tennessee
12. West Virginia
13. Alabama
14. Mississippi

- **SOURCE:** <https://x.com/StudentsforLife/status/1733899402228400475>



TRANSITION. Q. Is that true?

All. DESPITE WHAT THE PRO LIFE MOVEMENT HAS TOLD US, NO STATE IS ABORTION FREE UNDER LAW OR OTHERWISE.

- **In 36 of the United States it is legal** for both mothers as well as abortionist doctors to murder children in the womb.
- **In 4 of the United States it is legal for mothers and *partially* legal for abortionist doctors to murder children in the womb**—Idaho, Indiana, Mississippi, and West Virginia.
- **In 10 of the United States it *IS* legal for mothers and it is *NOT* legal for abortionist doctors to murder children in the womb**—Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Kentucky.
- **In 0 of the United States is it illegal for both mothers and abortionists to murder children in the womb.**

RESOURCE:



There are most abortions happening in the U.S. now than before Row v. Wade was overturned. There are more abortions happening in Oklahoma today than there were when the murder mills were still open.

We were between 6-7k abortions in Oklahoma before Roe V. Wade was overturned.

Aid Access is only one abortion pill provider out of many and they report 6,000 per year in Oklahoma. There are many other providers. ONE PROVIDER OUT OF MANY REPORTS 6,000 PER YEAR!

That is like asking someone, how many hamburgers are eaten in Oklahoma each year and only McDonalds gives you their numbers.

TRANSITION. Q. Why is it that no state is truly Abortion free under law?

AIII. ABORTION IS STILL LEGAL IN EVERY STATE BECAUSE THE PRO LIFE MOVEMENT HAS ACTIVELY KILLED BILLS OF ABOLITION AND PASSED LAWS OF SINFUL PARTIALITY.

- I) The Pro Life Movement has actively killed bills of Abolition.
- II) The Pro Life Movement has repeatedly passed laws of unequal weights and measures, as well as laws of sinful partiality.

There is most obviously a divide between the Pro Lifer and the Abolitionist.

QUESTION 4. Why is there such a divide between Pro Lifers and Abolitionists?

A. Probably the clearest and simplest answer is this one word: *Conscience*. Everyone that has ever lived has been given a conscience by the Lord God who created them and sustains them. The conscience is "the soul as distinguishing between what is morally good and bad, prompting to do the former and shun the latter, commending one, condemning the other" (<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g4893/nasb95/mgnt/0-1/>).

Now God has written His moral law on the human heart in creation, so when the conscience is functioning properly it rightly promotes what is good and shuns what is bad. Yet because of sin our consciences can easily be **weak** (1 Corinthians 8:12), **wounded** (1 Corinthians 8:12), **defiled** (1 Corinthians 8:7), **seared** (1 Timothy 4:2), or even **evil** (Hebrews 10:22).

Here is a tremendously important question to ask when considering

anything we think we should believe or we think we should do: How can I make certain that my conscience is functioning properly and I am not making decisions based on a conscience that is weak or wounded or defiled or seared or even evil because of my indwelling sin?

Here is the only safe answer: *YOU AND I MUST BIND OUR CONSCIENCES TO THE WORD OF GOD.*

2 Timothy 3:16-17 "16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."

The Abolitionist binds their conscience to the Scriptures while the Pro Lifer allows their conscience to float around and be attracted by whatever currently sounds or feels right. This is why there is a great divide.

DOCTRINE. The Abolitionist conscience is captive to the Word of God, and to violate conscience is neither wise nor safe.

I. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF THE ABOLITIONIST? (1 Corinthians 10:31)

1 Corinthians 10:31 "Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

QUESTION. Why is it the goal of the Abolitionist to glorify God?

ANSWER. Because we do not belong to ourselves. We have been bought with a price, and are thereby bound by both duty and grateful joy to live and die for the glory of the one true God's who saved us by grace.

Let me explain:

(i) God the Father planned our redemption—He sent His only Son into the world to rescue sinners like you and me from the mess we have made by sin.

(ii) God the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, purchased our redemption—He willingly became truly man, in order that He would live without sin so that we would be counted righteous;

He willingly gave up His life on the cross, suffering under the wrath of God the Father that we deserve for our sin in order that we would be totally forgiven of our sin and sins;

Three days later Jesus arose victoriously from the dead to eternal life, conquering Satan, sin, and death, and securing eternal life for all who will trust in Him alone for salvation.

Forty days later He ascended back to heaven and sat down at the right hand of God the Father, waiting for that time until all His enemies be made a footstool for His feet.

(iii) God the Holy Spirit applies our redemption—He convicts of sin, righteousness, and judgment, He grants the New Birth, He gives the saving gifts of repentance and faith, He fills us, He gifts us, He preserves us, He seals us for the day of redemption.

Christ is currently ruling and reigning, conquering the nations slowly but surely through His church as we proclaim the Law and the Gospel. He is doing this as Christians take every thought captive to obey Christ, and disciple the nations in His Law and Gospel. He will come again to judge the living and the dead and consummate His kingdom, where there will be no sin, no sadness, no suffering, no sickness—only righteousness, life, joy, peace, and prosperity for all who belong to Him. Christians will receive new glorified bodies, with Jesus and like Jesus, and we will reign with Him in the new heavens and the new earth forever.

All of this is 100% a gift of God's grace, though we are ill-deserving rebels.

I) Christ was punished that we would be forgiven.

II) Christ was wounded that we would be healed.

III) Christ was made sin with our sinfulness, that we would be made righteous with His righteousness.

IV) Christ tasted death for we that we would drink His life.

V) Christ was made our curse that we would receive His blessing.

VI) Christ endured our poverty that we would enjoy His abundance.

VII) Christ bore our shame that we would share His glory.

VIII) Christ endured our rejection that we would have His acceptance with the Father.

IX) Our Old Self was put to death in Him so that His New Self would come to life in us.

X) Christ was cut off from the land of the living for a time that we would be brought in to the land of life forever.

This is why the Abolitionist labors to glorify God! Because God the Father has planned our redemption, God the Son has purchased our redemption, and God the Holy Spirit has applied our redemption for our good and for His glory. HOW DARE YOU AND I NOT LIVE AND DIE FOR THE GLORY OF THE ONE WHO LIVED AND DIED FOR OUR ETERNAL REDEMPTION?

Q. How can we glorify God?

A. By loving Him and obeying His commands.

II. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT MURDER? (Exodus 20:13; Exodus 23:7; Proverbs 6:16-19; Ephesians 5:11)

Exodus 20:13 "You shall not murder."

Exodus 23:7 "Do not kill the innocent and righteous, for I will not acquit the wicked."

Proverbs 6:16-19

"16 There are six things that the Lord hates,
seven that are an abomination to him:

17 haughty eyes, a lying tongue,
and hands that shed innocent blood,

18 a heart that devises wicked plans,
feet that make haste to run to evil,

19 a false witness who breathes out lies,
and one who sows discord among brothers."

Ephesians 5:11 "Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them."

Abolitionists believe and speak and act like abortion is murder because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

III. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT WHY MURDER IS WRONG? (Genesis 9:5-6)

Genesis 9:5-6

"5 And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

6 "Whoever sheds the blood of man,

by man shall his blood be shed,
for God made man in his own image."

Abortion is not wrong because of sentience or brainwaves or detectable heartbeats or viability or cuteness or potentiality or any other such thing. Abortion, which is murder, is wrong because human beings are made in the image of God. God—the Creator and Sustainer of everything and everyone—forbids murder.

Abolitionists believe abortion is wrong because all human beings are made in the image of God because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

IV. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT YOUR DUTY AS AN

INDIVIDUAL WHEN IT COMES TO ABORTION? (Proverbs 24:11)

Proverbs 24:11 "Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter."

Abolitionists labor diligently to rescue those being taken away to death because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

V. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT THE DUTY OF THE CIVIL GOVERNMENT WHEN IT COMES TO ABORTION?

(Deuteronomy 16:18; Romans 13:3-4; Psalm 82:2-4)

Deuteronomy 16:19-20 "19 You shall not pervert justice. You shall not show partiality, and you shall not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and subverts the cause of the righteous. 20 Justice, and only justice, you shall follow."

Romans 13:3-4 "For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer."

Psalm 82:2-4 "2 How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? *Selah* 3 Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. 4 Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

Abolitionists believe and act like it is the Civil Governments job to establish justice because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

VI. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT TRYING TO MAKE ABORTION UNTHINKABLE? (Jeremiah 32:35; Isaiah 59:7 & Romans 3:15)

In Jeremiah 32:35, the LORD says, "[it did not] enter into my mind, that they should do this abomination..."

Isaiah 59:7 (repeated in Romans 3:15) "Their (*sinner*s) feet run to evil, and they are swift to shed innocent blood. . ."

Abolitionists do not labor to make abortion unthinkable because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

VII. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT USING UNEQUAL WEIGHTS AND MEASURES? (Proverbs 20:10)

Proverbs 20:10 "Unequal weights and unequal measures are both alike an abomination to the Lord."

- This is what Pro Life laws do when they pass a heartbeat bill or twelve week ban or sixteen week ban, etc.

It uses one weight and measure for the child with a detectable heartbeat and beyond (you cannot murder them) and it uses a different weight and measure for the child without a detectable heartbeat.

- **Q.** What is the moral difference between murdering a 4 week old child and a 6 week old child?

A. There is none, and to argue for a difference is to draw some arbitrary line based on feelings or emotions or ignorance, not on science or logic or theology.

Pro Life Laws, such as the heartbeat bill in Iowa, use unequal weights and measures and are an abomination to the Lord Jesus Christ! In the name of saving babies—and even with the best of intentions—heartbeat bills, and other bans like them, give approval to murder, and reveal their idolatrous nature.

- **Romans 1:29,32** "[Idolators] are full of. . .murder. . . Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them."

Abolitionists refuse to use or support the use of unequal weights and measures because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

VIII. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT SHOWING PARTIALITY IN JUDGEMENT? (Deuteronomy 1:17; Deuteronomy 16:19)

Deuteronomy 1:17 "You shall not be partial in judgment."

Deuteronomy 16:19 "You shall not pervert justice. You shall not show partiality, and you shall not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and subverts the cause of the righteous."

This is what Pro Life laws do when they give blanket immunity to the mother, even if she with malice aforethought hires a hit man to murder her child or orders and swallows pills to do the same in her own home.

Abolitionists refuse to show partiality in judgement because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

IX. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT JUSTIFYING THE

WICKED AND CONDEMNING THE RIGHTEOUS? (Proverbs 17:15)

Proverbs 17:15 "He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the Lord."

- This is what the Pro Life Movement has been doing and continues to do, even last week. The biggest voices AGAINST the abolition bill last week in South Dakota were Pro Life leaders and Legislators.
- Dale Bartscher of South Dakota Right to Life testified against the bill.
- Jenna Spellerberg, a nurse at the largest Pregnancy Center in South Dakota testified against the bill, even slandering the bill and misrepresenting Christ and His gospel.
- Lead Anderson, a councilor at a Pregnancy Resource Center testified against the bill.
- Al Novstrup, a Pro Life State Representative, testified against the Abolition bill this week in South Dakota.
- Additionally the ACLU opposed the bill and celebrated the Pro Life leaders and orgs for opposing it.

Abolitionists refuse to justify the wicked and condemn the righteous because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

X. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT DOING EVIL THAT GOOD MAY COME? (Romans 3:8)

Romans 3:8 "And why not do evil that good may come?—as some people slanderously charge us with saying. Their condemnation is just."

Abolitionists refuse to do evil that good may come because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

XI. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT THOSE WHO CLOSE THEIR EYES WHEN CHILD SACRIFICE IS HAPPENING IN THEIR SOCIETY? (Leviticus 20:4-5)

Leviticus 20:4-5 "And if the people of the land do at all close their eyes to that man when he gives one of his children to Molech, and do not put him to death, then I will set my face against that man and against his clan and will cut them off from among their people, him and all who follow him in whoring after Molech."

Abolitionists believe that abortion apathy or participation invites God's judgement because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

XII. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT YOUR WORSHIP WHEN YOU ARE INDIFFERENT TOWARD THE INNOCENT BEING SLAIN? (Isaiah 1:14-18)

Isaiah 1:14-18 "14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. 15 When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. 16 Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, 17 learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause. 18 "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

Abolitionists believe that abortion apathy or participation results in God's displeasure even in our worship because our conscience is captive to the Word of God.

CONCLUSION

I. THE ABOLITIONIST CONSCIENCE IS BOUND TO SHOWING THE NATION HER ABOMINATIONS (Ezekiel 16:2).

Ezekiel 16:2 "Son of man, make known to Jerusalem her abominations,"

II. THE ABOLITIONIST CONSCIENCE IS BOUND TO OBEYING THE GOLDEN RULE (Matthew 7:2).

Matthew 7:12 "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

III. THE ABOLITIONIST CONSCIENCE IS BOUND TO TRUSTING IN, AND IMITATING, CHRIST (2 Timothy 1:9-10).

2 Timothy 1:9-10 "[Christ] abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."

- HB3038 acknowledges the sanctity of human life, created in the image of God.
- HB3038 follows the Constitution of the United States, which requires that "no state...shall deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."
- HB3038 follows the Oklahoma Constitution, which requires that "All persons have the inherent right to life."
- HB3038 provides equal protection of the law to all human beings, from the moment of fertilization/conception, until natural death.
- HB3038 protects pregnant mothers from being coerced to get an abortion.
- HB3038 ensures that all persons potentially subject to such laws are entitled to due process protections.

WHAT DOES HB3038 NOT DO?

- HB3038 does *not* prevent life-saving measures to be taken by a physician for an ectopic pregnancy or any other medical emergency; it simply requires doctors to uphold the Hippocratic oath and treat both the mother and child(ren).
- HB3038 does *not* criminalize women; it simply criminalizes the act of abortion and applies the homicide code equally to all.
- HB3038 does *not* criminalize miscarriages; it simply criminalizes the willful and premeditated act of prenatal homicide.

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONAL ARGUMENT

- **United State Constitution 14th Amendment, Section 1:** "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

OKLAHOMA CONSTITUTIONAL ARGUMENT

- **Oklahoma Constitution Article 2, Section 1:** "All political power is inherent in the people; and government is instituted for their protection, security, and benefit, and to promote their general welfare; and they have the right to alter or reform the same whenever the public good may require it: Provided, such change be not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States."
- **Oklahoma Constitution Article 2, Section 2:** "All persons have the inherent right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and the enjoyment of the gains of their own industry."

BIBLICAL ARGUMENT

- **Romans 13:1-4** "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. 2 Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. 3 For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, 4 for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer."
- **Luke 6:31** "As you wish that others would do to you, do so to them."
- **Genesis 9:6** "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image."
- **Exodus 20:13** "You shall not murder."
- **Deuteronomy 1:17** "You shall not be partial in judgment."
- **Proverbs 17:15** "He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the Lord."
- **Psalms 82:2-4** "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? *Selah* Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."
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- **Isaiah 1:16-17** "Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause."
- **Amos 5:15** "Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate."

SERMON TRANSCRIPT

Brothers and sisters in Christ, friends, visitors, I need you to afford me the courtesy of permitting me to give you an extensive introduction to this sermon, an extensive introduction.

Parents, I want you to know I am choosing to not dress address the children specifically during this sermon. So I encourage you to you need to learn and you need to inform and equip your children to understand and think about abortion and abortion abolition, those kind of things. So, I am choosing not to explicitly address the children because of it being a little bit more of a sensitive issue and dealing with murdering children. Now, I realize speaking clearly and forcefully about abortion is not the most comfortable thing to speak on for many reasons. Here are a few of the reasons and that I know some of you would even have. I know some of you struggle with infertility. And this topic is heartbreaking because you want to have children. And even bringing up this topic, you desperately want children, but in the providence of God, you have not been able to have children. And then we are talking for an hour about the fact that God has blessed other people with children and they choose to murder them. I know that is hard. That is not comfortable. It is heartbreaking. And to you, I say we will continue to pray for you to be blessed with children naturally or through adoption. And I am sorry for those of you that this subject causes pain because of how badly you want children. It is not my intent to cause any of you pain. My intent is to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves as God says in Proverbs 31. And my intent is to equip you to rescue those being taken away to death as God says in Proverbs 24. I know some of you have had miscarriages and this topic could bring up and likely will bring up painful memories. To you, I say, I believe your children are with Jesus. Just as David believed, his son was in 2 Samuel 12:13. to you. I say Christ will heal all your harms if you belong to him by grace through faith. My intent is not to bring up painful memories. My intent in preaching about abortion and what we should do. My intent is to honor Christ by establishing justice for the pre-born so that our neighbors are protected from the intentional termination of their life. I know some of you have had abortions. Some of you have murdered your own children through abortion. Or some of you have assisted in helping other people go murder their children. Or some of you, if not all of you, myself included, have been apathetic and passive at one time in our life when it comes to the fact that our pre-born neighbors are being carried off to the slaughter seven days a week under cover of law. And to you I say there is no stain of iniquity that Jesus cannot wash out by his blood. There is no guilt that the Lord Jesus Christ through his cross cannot remove. There is no sin that is a match for his grace.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. First John 1:9. Hear me. There is sin or there is forgiveness for the sin of abortion, but that does not mean it ought to be legal. And that does not mean we as the church must avoid talking about it. You need to know many pastors will not speak on this issue at all other than sort of mention it

in passing like abortion is bad that kind of stuff. I know that many pastors will not speak on this issue at all because they have explicitly told me to my face. And typically the reasons that I am given for why pastors will not address these are the three reasons I just gave to you that I know make this subject difficult. Some of you are post-abortive and it brings up the horrors of what you have done, the sin you have committed and I point you to Christ crucified. Some of you have had miscarriages, one or some of you, many. And it can bring up painful memories. Some of you are struggling with infertility and that just makes you angry that other people are carrying off their children to death and you desperately want them. So many pastors because it can cause pain, it can be really difficult to deal with, they will not bring it up at all. Meanwhile, our neighbors are being slaughtered by the thousands each year in our state while the law does nothing to protect them. We are not talking about we are not talking about um an a murder that happens that is actually illegal and that we are trying to establish justice for. We are talking about technically it is murder. In God's eyes, it is murder. But in the eyes of our state, our civil government, they give the principal murderer and all abortions, they give her, the mother, a free pass and say she will not be held criminally liable if she murders her own children with malice of forethought. Like we are talking not about imagine if you would imagine that the two people that the ICE officers have shot in the last month or so in Minneapolis, both of them died, right? Just imagine with me. Let's pretend like those shootings were completely unjustified. This is a hypothetical. I do not care what your opinion on it is right now. I am just saying let's pretend that they were both unjustified. Would that be legal or illegal? It would be illegal if they took the un if they unjustified took the life of someone who is innocent. And those ICE agents, if it was an unjustified killing, they would be charged with manslaughter or murder. It is illegal. And our justice system would deal with it. Why? In order to protect the innocent and in order to punish the evildoer and in order to strike fear in anyone else. In that sense, it would be able to strike fear in law enforcement officers for shooting people when they should not. Those kind of things. But that is why we have laws against murder and our laws deal with that. And we have due process for those who are charged with those crimes. We are not talking about anything like that when we are talking about abortion. We are talking about something the civil government gives a thumbs up to and says you are legally permitted to take the life of innocent children. And for women, even in our state, you could murder your child all the way up until birth and you will never be held criminally liable for what you have done. Many pastors will not speak on it, but we cannot do that. I do not want you to feel pain and guilt, but it is. And once this, we just have to say it is a risk that we have to take in order to speak the truth, in order to stand up for those who cannot speak for themselves. I hate the fact that it could cause pain, but we must speak on this and think through this for God's glory and our neighbors good. And for those of you who are post-abortive or who do struggle with infertility or who have had miscarriages, I think you experientially know more than the rest of us how precious human life is and how evil it must be to murder babies. You who have dealt with these things, you experientially feel it

even more. And so I beg you, rather than letting your past or present pain make the subject of abortion push you down into darkness, I ask you to let it raise you up so that you would stand for justice. So that you would stand and speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Now, why is abortion something we need to focus on? Well, because since 1973, we have allowed women to murder more human beings than men have killed in all wars of all human history. Just in the last 53 years, we have permitted women to murder more human beings than men have killed in all wars of all human history. Low estimates are 3.5 billion image-bearers of God have been murdered by women worldwide just in the last 53 years. that is when we really started tracking abortions especially in the United States. And then other organizations started tracking them more worldwide at that point when abortion became codified. Abortion on demand became codified by the Supreme Court. 3.5 billion.

High estimates are 1 billion have been killed in all wars in all of human history. There have been about 70 million reported acts of child sacrifice at abortion clinics alone in the United States alone since 1973. These are just the numbers that that 70 million number, that is just the ones that the abortion clinics, which make money off of murdering children. that is the ones they have reported to national agencies. we are not talking about self-managed abortions. we are not talking about Plan B. Not talking about anything like that. And in that 70 million number for the United States since 1973, California has not reported their numbers since 2001. And California is the abortion capital of the United States. They murder more babies in California than any other state. Roughly 12 million women are using hormonal birth control right now in the United States of America. 12 million. And you need to know every single form of hormonal birth control, even those that they try to say is non hormonal like copper IUDs, every single one of them is abortifacient. They have multiple mechanisms and the last mechanism is abortifacient. it is post-fertilization. A life has been created.

12 million women are on abortifacient birth control which doubtlessly leads to millions of unreported baby murders each year. Additionally, about a million and a half of your neighbors are in cryogenic prisons right now due to in vitro fertilization.

1.5 million human beings have been created in petri dishes through in vitro fertilization and are locked in freezers waiting to be discarded or die.

Additionally, in vitro fertilization is something that I think sadly most Christians just think you struggle with infertility in some way and it is a good way to help people conceive. And that would be great if that is what it was. But that is not what it is.

The statistics are for every live birth through in vitro fertilization 30 babies are murdered.

You have to murder 30 children in order to have one live birth. that is the dark evil process of in vitro fertilization.

the organization that I am the president of Rescue Those. We have an entire booklet written by Senator Dusty Deevers on *in vitro fertilization* helping Christians understand what it actually is, how we should think about it biblically. So, if you would like more on that, come and let me know and I will give you a free little booklet on it, like a 30 or 40 page booklet. Most Christians have no idea. People that even know that will not even touch it because that is such a sensitive issue. People cannot conceive and they want to have kids and in vitro fertilization gets hoisted up as something so great and millions of children are murdered each year through that and 1.5 million are locked in freezers. All of this happens under cover of law. Our man-made laws say this is simply a medical procedure or a way to help you conceive. Yet, God calls it murder. Even further than that, God does not just call it murder. He calls it child sacrifice.

So, my question then continuing in this lengthy introduction is what happens when a people permits child sacrifice to continue in their land? What happens? Well, one of the things that happens when a people permits child sacrifice in their land is that the Lord brings them under judgment. And I there is just one particular judgment that I want to highlight for you. Though there are many you can look at and see the Lord does this, this, this, this. here is examples of the judgment the Lord brings on people who practice child sacrifice. One particular promised judgment is that your land under the judgment of God will be invaded by foreigners who will wreak havoc on your land. Does that sound familiar?

Moses wrote in Deuteronomy 28, "The Lord will bring a nation against you from far away and from the end of the earth, swooping down like the eagle, a nation whose language you do not understand, a hard-faced nation who shall not respect the old or show mercy to the young." Old covenant Israel was promised if they permit child sacrifice to happen, if they are rebellious to the Lord, it is like, well, when the Lord judges a people, part of what he does is let foreigners invade and wreak havoc upon their land. And some people say, well, I do not know if that is specifically talking about child sacrifice. Well, let me take you and point out to you a couple verses from the book of Isaiah. Isaiah 1:7 says this, "Your country lies desolate. Your cities are burned with fire. In your very presence, foreigners devour your land. It is desolate as overthrown by foreigners.

They burn your cities with fire. Your cities, your country lies desolate. In your presence, foreigners devour your land. It is desolate as overthrown by foreigners. I mean, you could read Isaiah 1:7 and be like, "That seems like a a lot of places in the United States of America even right now." that is the big thing that like the super hip Christian influencer right-wing guys talk about right now. it is like, "We

need mass immigration because we have allowed 100 million immigrants to come in since 1960 and it is producing terrible effects in our nation." Have you heard that? So Trump ran and, you know, promised mass deportations that we would get illegal immigrants out of our country. And many people are saying that is a good thing. And I I agree. We need to get illegal immigrants out of our country because they are here illegally. they are criminals. But the thing that many of these rightwing conservative that probably share a lot of our values, they do not ever talk about is the fact that actually that is happening because we have been permitting and allowing child sacrifice for hundreds of years in our nation. This thing is not the problem. it is child sacrifice because God promises when you do that, your nation will be flooded with foreigners who do not care about you and will wreak havoc. Immigration issues of the 21st century are upstream from the church primarily being passive when it comes to establishing justice for the pre-born. So you want to deal with the immigration thing. it is like yeah, you are just trying to deal with a symptom and not actually deal with the root. That is the judgment of God promised on nations who permit child sacrifice. I will show you Isaiah 1:7. This is happening. Why? Isaiah later in chapter 1, he says, "Your hands are filled with blood." that is why you are being invaded by foreigners. Your hands are filled with blood. what is the blood their hands are filled with in Isaiah 1? Well, you need to understand Isaiah's ministry. Simply, Isaiah the prophet ministered during four different kings. And the first three permitted child sacrifice in the land in the high places in Israel. And only the fourth, Hezekiah, actually outlawed abortion. Actually outlawed, tore down the high places, outlawed child sacrifice. It was not just abortion. They would sacrifice children even after they were born. This blood that is on the hands of God's people in Isaiah 1, for which God says he is judging them by sending foreigners in to burn their cities to wreak havoc on their nation. The blood that is on their hands is the blood of the high places, which is the blood of child sacrifice. And they had been warned, "You shall not allow this to happen in your land. If you close your eyes to it, I will pour out my judgment on you." What reason do you and I have to think that just because we are not Israel and the old covenant that God would permit our nation to practice child sacrifice without judging us? What is the state of abortion in Oklahoma and the nation as a whole? Well, the pro-life movement has told you and I that at least 14 states are abortion free. that is what the pro-life movement says. I think now they have moved up to 16 that they are lying to you and saying these states are completely abortion free since the DOS decision wherein Roe V. Wade was overturned. The Supreme Court essentially just said we are going to wash our hands of this issue like Pilate did of Christ and we are going to let the states individually decide whether or not babies can be murdered in their state. They should have said no states are allowed to murder babies period and cited the 14th amendment. But instead of doing that, they just left it up to each individual state. And since that happened, certain laws went into effect, trigger laws that were passed before Roe V. Wade was overturned. And the pro-life movement has passed other laws since then. And Students for Life, one of the biggest pro-life organizations in the United States, as

one example, said 14 down, 36 to go. Abortion, these 14 states are abortion free, only 36 states to go. Along with a map that shows the entire United States and says, as of December 10th, 2023, 14 states are completely abortion-free. End quote. I am quoting them directly. Listen to it again. As of December 10th, 2023, 14 states are completely abortion free. On the map, they show Idaho. Is that true of Idaho? No. More than 1,000 children were murdered through abortion in Idaho last year. And those are just the ones we know about because abortion pill providers do not all provide statistics but one of them does. So through one of them we know at least 1100. North Dakota. Is that true? No. South Dakota? No. Missouri? No. Oklahoma? No. Indiana? No. that is not true of Indiana either. Texas? No. Arkansas? Louisiana. Kentucky. Tennessee. Virginia. Alabama. Mississippi. Are any of those states actually abortion free? Let's give them the benefit of the doubt. Surely they mean no legal abortions are happening. that is what they mean by abortion free. They do not mean to say that no one is possibly breaking the law. They mean legalized abortion. None of that. Is that true in any of those states? No.

Despite what the pro-life movement has told us, no state is abortion free under law or otherwise. In 36 of the United States, it is legal for both mothers as well as abortion doctors to murder children in the womb. So, a mother can do a self-managed abortion or she can go hire a hitman to murder her own child. In four of the United States, it is legal for mothers and partially legal for abortionist doctors to murder children in the womb. Like there are loopholes and there are certain situations that doctors are allowed to murder children, but the mother is throughout all gestation. that is only four of the states, Idaho, Indiana, Mississippi, and West Virginia. In 10 of the United States, it is legal for mothers to murder their children. And it is not legal for abortionist doctors to murder children in the womb. Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Kentucky. So in those 10 states, it is illegal for an abortion doctor to do it. But explicit immunity is given to mothers to self-manage their own abortions, which they do. There are more abortions, just to put to sum this part up, there are more abortions happening in the United States of America right now than were happening before Roe V. Wade was overturned. You know why? Because it does not matter the method. If you do not make it illegal to murder another human being, wicked people will find whatever way they can, whatever loop they can jump through, whatever hole they can find, and they will murder someone in some other way. And so, we do not let abortion doctors murder children. it is like, okay, then the moms just go, well, how can I get abortion? Google. Oh, I can just get RU486 mailed to my house. it is actually cheaper now because many people support these different organizations that ship pills. And so we even produced a docuseries (www.abortionfree.com) exposing all of this and in it uh the lady who is the protagonist orders abortion pills. One of them was \$200 and the other one was free. She mailed it to her for free. Got it sent right to her home.

There are more abortions happening in the US now than before Ro v. Wade was

overturned. There are more abortions happening in the state of Oklahoma right now than before Roe V. Wade was overturned. Our abortion clinics are shut down. No more murder mills and there are more abortions happening in our state than before that. Because when you pass unjust laws that show sinful partiality and use unequal weights and measures, you just tutor the culture. it is okay to murder your baby. You just have to do it in this way. And God does not bless that. And so more babies are murdered. There were between six and 7,000 abortions in Oklahoma before Roe V. Wade was overturned. And now there are dozens and dozens of companies who ship abortion pills to anyone who wants them. Like you men, you could go order them, sometimes for free. So there are dozens of these companies, but the biggest one is called Aid Access. that is the most well-organized. They ship more abortion pills than anyone else. And aid access is the only one that we have numbers for. And they ship 6,000 pills per year to individuals in Oklahoma. There were 6 to 7,000 abortions in Oklahoma before Roe V. Wade. Now after 6,000 just from one company and we do not have numbers for the dozens and dozens of others. So, we have no idea how many acts of child sacrifice are actually taking place under cover of law in our state, but it is far more than before row was overturned.

Eight access says 6,000, but that is only one. that is like asking someone how many hamburgers are eaten in Oklahoma each year, and the only numbers we have are McDonald's. it is like, well, they probably sell more hamburgers than anybody else in the state, but there are a lot of other places you can get hamburgers.

Why? Why is this happening? Why is no state truly abortion free under law? here is a simple answer. Abortion is still legal in every state because the pro-life movement has actively killed bills that would abolish abortion and passed laws of sinful partiality. Abortion is legal in Oklahoma because of professed Christian prolife Republican legislators. We have a supermajority in the House and the Senate. They pass bills every year, pro-life bills that show in partiality to the wicked, that in the end actually do nothing, that God calls an abomination, that are unjust. We have we have all the votes to pass anything we want. it is not the Democrats. it is not pro-choicers. it is not any of that. it is professed Christian, pro-life, Republican legislators. Of course, the Democrats are even worse. I do not mean to argue that they are doing something right, but the reason it is legal, especially in these states where it could be illegal, is because of the pro-life movement. they have been actively killing bills of abolition. They do not just refrain from supporting them. They actually go and testify at the committee hearings, the pro-life movement does, saying, "Do not pass this bill because it could potentially criminalize a woman who with a with malice of forethought murdered her own child."

The pro-life movement also has repeatedly passed laws of unequal weights and measures as well as laws of sinful partiality. The reason abortion is still legal in

every state is because the states it could have been outlawed in already, the pro-life movement has actively worked to kill those bills and put forward other bills in their place. So, there is most obviously a divide between the pro-lifer and the abolitionist. there is a difference. Pro-life and abolition is not the same thing. it is two vastly different ideologies. The pro-life movement is built on sand and the abolitionist movement is built on the rock of Christ and his word. Prolife, even the term, that is a secular humanistic term that was created during the wars to say we are anti anyone ever dying or getting killed in wars. it is a secular humanist term. it is not even a Christian term. What a weak term when we are talking about babies being murdered. Like, no, I am not just prolife. I am actually anti- US murdering babies. Let's start there. we are totally against this. But why is there such a divide between proliferers and abolitionists? And I think the clearest answer is just one word, conscience.

Why are proliferers and abolitionists so vastly different? Conscience. Everyone that has ever lived has been given a conscience by the Lord God who created them and sustains them. You have a conscience. I have a conscience. The conscience is the soul of a human being as distinguishing between what is morally good and bad, prompting you to do the former and shun the latter, to do what is good and shun what is bad. Your conscience condemns one thing and commends the good. Now God has written his moral law on every human heart in creation. So that hear me when your conscience is functioning properly. It approves of the good and compels you to seek after that. And it reproves or shuns the bad and compels you to avoid that. When your conscience is functioning properly with the law of God written on your heart, you are going to affirm the good and disavow the bad. you are going to seek the good and run away from the bad. Now, because of sin, now follow me here. Everyone has a conscience who is ever existed. Yet because of sin, our consciences can be very easily distorted so that they could be weak. Weak conscience is mentioned in 1 Corinthians 8:12. Your conscience can be wounded. Also 1 Corinthians 8:12, your conscience can be defiled. 1 Corinthians 8:7, your conscience can be seared. 1 Timothy 4:2. Or your conscience can be evil. Hebrews 10:22. So the conscience when functioning properly approves of the good, rejects what is bad. But if it is weak or wounded or defiled or seared or evil, it will not do that. And so you will feel, for lack of a better term, that this is right and this is good. But it might be because your conscience is weak or defiled or wounded or seared or evil. So here is a tremendously important question to ask when considering anything that you should believe or do. How can I make certain that my conscience is functioning properly and I am not making decisions based on a conscience that is weak or wounded or defiled or seared or even evil because of my indwelling sin? How can I make sure that what I think is right, what I feel is right is actually right and good and it is not just I am saying my conscience is clear. it is like well your conscience is currently clear because it is weak or it is wounded or it is defiled and it is not functioning properly. Your conscience should not be clear if you are doing this because God says that is sin. So if you are saying I am doing

this, but someone else is saying but God says that is sin. And then your argument is but my conscience is clear. it is like you just admitted that your conscience is not functioning properly. And we have all this evidence in scripture that it can be weak, wounded, defiled, seared, or even evil. So how do I make sure that my conscience is not functioning improperly and that I am agreeing with the good and laboring to do the good and shun the bad? here is the only safe answer. You must bind your conscience to the revealed word of God in the scriptures. that is the only way you can be certain that your conscience is functioning properly is if you that is why Martin Luther in the Diet of Worms in 1521 when the Roman Catholic Church tried to get him to recant what he had written. He could not do it. He even took 24 hours to give him the answer. But he says,"I cannot, unless I am convinced by scripture or plain reason, I cannot recant what I have written. My conscience is captive to the word of God. And to disobey conscience is neither wise nor safe." Luther did not say, "My conscience is clear in what I have read." Because Luther knew, well, my conscience could through my own indwelling Sid be functioning improperly. But he took 24 hours because he considered what one of his friends asked him. Martin, are you alone wise? you are standing against the Roman Catholic Church, the whole church. And so he really had to take time to say, "Is my conscience wounded, weak, defiled, seared, or evil in this, or is it bound by captive by the word of God?" Now, I think he was right. he is like, "I cannot recant this because my conscience is captive to the word of God." that is the only way that you and I can know what we should do. And particularly in this case, what should we do about abortion? what is our duty as Christians about abortion? what is the duty of the civil government about abortion? The reason there is such a difference between proliferers and abolitionists is because the abolitionist binds their conscience to the scriptures while the pro-lifer conscience to float around and be attracted by whatever currently sounds or feels right.

That is why there is such a great divide. The abolitionist believes 2 Timothy 3:16-17. Read it with me again in your own Bible. And think children are being slaughtered in our nation. What is our duty to do unto others as we would have them do to us? How do we Proverbs 24:11 rescue those being taken away to death? What do we do? Well, the abolitionist says, "We believe 2 Timothy 3:16-17." So, all scriptures breathed out by God and profitable. So, the scripture is profitable for teaching and understanding abortion. The scripture is also profitable. Look next, for reproof, to reprove us when we are thinking or acting wrongly about abortion. it is also profitable for correction, for correcting us when we are thinking or acting wrongly about abortion. And it is also profitable for training in righteousness, so that we would be trained to do what is right and righteous and just when it comes to abortion. So that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every— how many?—every good work is the work of loving your neighbor as yourself or rescuing those being carried away to death. Is that a good work? Yeah. The scriptures, the scriptures are sufficient for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, that we may be equipped for

every good work, even the work that pertains to abortion. So, here is the big divide between the abolitionist and the pro-lifer. The abolitionist conscience is captive to the word of God. And to violate conscience is neither wise nor safe. With this whole issue, you have got to say, "What does God say? What does God say? What does God say?" So let me finish by kind of rapid-fire asking and answering questions which will further show you why there is such a divide between the pro-life movement and the abolition movement.

it is kind of like a catechism as we are going to finish out. So I will be moving rather quickly and if you take notes just write down the scripture references and I will make my notes as I always do available to you. First of all, what is the goal of the abolitionist? What is the goal of the abolitionist? Answer: to glorify God. what is the goal of the pro-life movement? Not to glorify God. Go and look. Go and see what the leaders teach. Go and see what the lobbyists teach. They flat out will tell you, "Do not use the Bible. Do not make biblical arguments. You have to make secular arguments. do not bring up faith. They state that their goal is simply, we want to save as many babies as possible. it is like, well, of course, we all want to save as many babies as possible, but what is the ultimate goal? The ultimate goal of the pro-life movement is that we want to save babies. And I would say they hypothetically want to save babies because the laws that they pass do not actually save babies, even though they act like they do. that is why we have more abortions today than we have ever had in the last 10 or 15 years with more pro-life bills passed. The abolitionist says, "No, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." that is what the abolitionist wants to do. We want to glorify God in this situation. And we want to do that because we do not belong to ourselves. We have been bought with a price and are thereby bound by both duty and grateful joy to live and die for the glory of the true God who saved us by grace. The abolitionist movement is a particularly Christian movement. It says we want to glorify God in this because the Lord Jesus Christ has purchased us with his precious blood. So that is our number one goal. Glorify God. And so then the next question becomes, how can we glorify God? Boys and girls, you might even remember this in the boys and girls catechism. One of the simplest questions is how can you glorify God? And the answer is by loving him and obeying his commands. Adults, you need to get that down. How can you glorify God? By loving him and obeying him. that is how you glorify God. So the abolitionist starts there. We do everything for the glory of God. And the way we glorify God is loving him and doing what he tells us to do. Not what we think we should do. But by refraining from the things he says we are not allowed to do and doing the things he commands us to do, because the father has planned our redemption. The son has purchased our redemption and the spirit has applied our redemption. And so, how dare we do anything, especially when it comes to our pre-born neighbors, that is not ultimately aimed at glorifying God.

We must not live for any other glory. We must not live for any other purpose. And

we must not labor in this fight for any other end other than glorifying God. And we glorify him by loving him and obeying his commands. What does God say about murder? Well, he says, "You shall not murder." In the Hebrew, it is two words, no murder. So, why is abortion why do we think abortion is something that should not happen? it is not because of like declining birth rates or anything like that. it is because God says no murder. And the abolitionist, therefore, is not afraid to call it murder. The pro-life movement, not all, but many in the pro-life movement say things frequently like abortion kills three, you know, three or 30,000 kids each year. Things like that. Like the word abortion, what? No, mothers murder their children. And people say, well, the mothers are not really the ones doing it. In a lot of states, you know, it is the abortion doctors. Like, just so you know, it is illegal for abortion doctors to walk through your neighborhood and look for children to kill. that is illegal. The the mother is the principal agent. The mother hires a hitman to murder her own child. Of course, there are exceptions to where there are pimps or things like that that try to pressure women into do it. Those are unbelievably low exceptions to the rule. it is women

and we permitted it to happen. But the abolitionists believe and speak and act like abortion is murder because our conscience is captive to the word of God. we are not going to try to make it softer. Abortion ends the potential of a human. Like no, it is murder. it is the unjustified taking of an innocent life.

So abolitionists say we are going to believe and speak and act like abortion is murder because it is and our conscience is captive to the word of God. Now why does God say murder is wrong?

He says in Genesis 9:5 and 6 that murder is wrong because he made man in his own image because human beings are made in the image of God. that is why murder is wrong. that is why abortion is wrong because abortion is murder. there is another big distinction between the pro-life movement and the abolitionists. The pro-life movement will frequently make arguments about sentience or brain waves or detectable heartbeats or viability or cuteness or potentiality or other things like that. And that is why abortion is wrong. This person could be the future. You know, he could cure cancer someday, but we are killing him in the womb. that is why that is an argument of why it is wrong. The abolitionist says, "Nope, that is not why it is wrong. it is wrong because it is murder." And God says, "You shall not murder because I made man in my own image and you are attacking me when you murder one of my image-bearers." Abortion is not wrong because of sentience or brain waves or detectable heartbeats. Abortion is not wrong because of viability or cuteness or potentiality or any other such thing. abortion which is murder is wrong because human beings are made in the image of God and God the creator and sustainer of everything and everyone forbids murder. So that is why an abolitionist believes abortion is wrong because human beings are made in the image of God and our consciences captive to the word of God. Now what does God say about

your duty as an individual when it comes to abortion? your individual duty. You can go to a lot of places. Love your neighbor as yourself. Do unto others as you would have them do to you. it is like if if you were allowed if if you could not protect yourself, you could not speak up for yourself and it were legal for you to be murdered, what would you want other people to do for you? And if you just answer that question, you will be an abolitionist. The pro-lifer is the one who cannot answer that question because they frequently pass bills that say yes to some babies, no to others.

What does God say about your duty? Proverbs 24:11 is another clear verse. Rescue those being taken away to death. Hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. I hope you have that verse memorized. you have heard it so much. that is your individual duty. that is what an abolitionist does. They labor diligently with the time, the resources, whatever they are able to do, the gifts, the abilities God has given them in various different ways. Labor to rescue those being taken away to death because our conscience is captive to the word of God. And we say God sets some marching orders. And what does God say about the duty of the civil government when it comes to abortion?

You need to memorize these few verses in Deuteronomy 16. Deuteronomy 16:19 and 20. This is the Lord speaking to the judges who will be appointed in Israel. Not speaking about certain judicial laws under the Mosaic covenant. he is just talking to judges. This is the big idea of why civil government exists. What judges must do. What law enforcement officials must do. what everybody from dog catcher to president all in the civil government you must do this. You shall not pervert justice. You shall not show partiality and you shall not accept a bribe for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and subverts the cause of the righteous. Listen verse 20. Justice and only justice you shall follow. that is what God says is the duty of the civil government. Justice. That means giving everyone their due, giving everyone what they deserve, upholding their rights. Romans 13 is clear that it is the civil government's job to strike fear in the hearts of evildoers by threatening to punish them if they do that evil. And therefore, that upholds and protects the good. So, the civil government approves of the good and punishes the evildoer. they have been given the sword of God's vengeance. They are an avenger as God's servant. And that upholds the good when and it strikes fear in the hearts of evildoers when they say if you do this, we will put you to death. If you do this, you will go to prison. If you do this, so that is the whole point of the civil government. Healthcare is not the point of the civil government. Education is not the point of the civil government. it is ridiculous. Half of our budget in the state of Oklahoma goes to things that are not actually the purpose of the civil government. Education and healthcare. Actually, education is over 50%.

No, justice and only justice you shall follow. Our civil government does a ton of things they are not supposed to do and they do not do the main thing they are

required to do. Justice and only justice. you shall follow. The civil government is not to show mercy. The civil government is not to show grace. that is the church's job as we proclaim the gospel. The civil government has been given a sword not of the spirit, but the sword of vengeance. Romans 13. To punish evildoers and strike fear in the hearts of those who would even think about doing evil. that is the job of the civil government. A Psalm 82, a psalm, the only one I am aware of that is written directly to governing authorities, the civil government. Psalm 82 says, "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?" Is a psalm written for our Oklahoma legislature.

Give justice to the weak and the fatherless. Maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy. deliver them from the hand of the wicked. that is Psalm 82 written to governing authorities.

Abolitionists believe and act like it is the civil government's job to establish justice and only justice because our conscience is captive to the word of God. that is what God says. there is a pro-life leader today in our state who is standing against the abolition bill that is in our state legislature right now because he said, "What about showing grace and mercy to these women who murder their children?" Like that is not the job of the civil government to look at murderers and say, "Ah, you can go free."

that many sadly many of those in the civil government do not even know what the purpose of civil government is. If they ever say anything like our laws should show mercy to murderers and allow murderers to go free. What? Imagine what it would be like if murder were legalized. Well, you do not have to imagine. It already is. Look and think about the thousands murdered each year in the womb undercover of law.

[snorts] What does God say about using unequal weights and measures? Well, in Proverbs 20:10, he says, "Unequal weights and unequal measures are both alike and abomination to the Lord." Unequal weights and unequal measures are both alike an abomination to the Lord. How does that apply to this? Well, it is because the pro-life movement has been pushing and passing laws that have unequal weights and unequal measures for 50 years.

This is what pro-life laws do when they pass something like a heartbeat bill such as is in Iowa where I have been the last two weekends. They have a heartbeat bill there. They have a super majority in the House and the Senate. they are all pro-lifers and that is what they have done. They passed a heartbeat bill and that uses unequal weights and measures or or even if it is like a 12-week ban or 16week ban, it is like the stuff that we used to have in Oklahoma. It uses one weight and measure for the child before they have a detectable heartbeat. So if it is six weeks or under and you or you cannot find a detectable heartbeat, you are allowed to

murder that child. And it uses a different weight and measure for the child after they have a detectable heartbeat. So you are not allowed to murder that child. So here is here is the brass tax. They pass a law that treats image-bearers of God as if they are different by using unequal ma weights and measures when it comes to them. What that means is you can murder a 4-week old gestational child or five week old, but you cannot murder a six-week old. it is illegal to murder a six-week old, but you are permitted by the law to murder a five-week old. What is the moral difference in murdering a five week old child and a six-w week old child? what is the moral difference? there is no difference.

To argue for any kind of difference is to draw some arbitrary line based on feelings or emotions or ignorance or stupid things that the pro-life movement has been saying for years like abortion stops a beating heart. What if it is before they have a detectable heartbeat or before their hearts actually beating? So, we do not argue like that because it is insane. First of all, it is unjust and it leads people. It teaches people things like a legislator in Ohio a few years ago was called by an abolitionist and asked to support the abolition bill that had been filed. And this representative said, "I believe life begins at a heartbeat." Like, that is You believe life begins when there is a detectable heartbeat? that is ridiculous. No one believes that, unless they are insane. Why does he think that, though? that is actually what the pro-life movement has conditioned him and taught him to think. Because life is worthy of protection and it has value at that heartbeat. Abortion stops a beating heart. we are going to pass a heartbeat bill. It tutors the culture to think once they have a beating heart, then they are worthy of protection.

But the abolitionist says, "No, we will not support or use unequal weights and measures because our conscience is captive to the word of God." And God says, "When you do that, that is an abomination to him.

What does God say about showing partiality in judgment? Deuteronomy 11:17, you shall not be partial in judgment. What that means is if there is a crime, if there is something wrong, it does not matter who committed it, it is still wrong and they still must be charged. It does not matter if you are a man or a woman. If you murder someone, you have the same homicide code applied to you.

You shall not be partial in judgment. If the person is rich, they get the same thing as a person who is poor. White, black, man, woman, does not matter if you are a leftist or you are on the far right. It does not matter. If you murder someone, you get the same the same standard, same due process. You shall not be partial in judgment. It literally means you shall not regard faces. that is why lady justice, even in our judicial system, lady justice is presented as wearing a blindfold. It does not matter who the person is. It matters if they have committed this crime. So that is what God says about showing partiality in judgment. You shall not be partial in judgment. He says in Deuteronomy 16:19, "You shall not pervert justice. You shall

not show partiality and you shall not accept a bribe for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and subverts the cause of the righteous." Now this showing partiality in judgment or partiality to the wicked as Psalm 82 says to governing authorities, how long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? This is what the pro-life laws do when they give blanket immunity to the mother as your state does. So, all of our murder mills are shut down. No abortionist doctor is allowed to murder children, but women, and you just need to be clear on this, the pro-life movement does not just go, "Whoops. We accidentally forgot to make it clear that no one is allowed to murder babies and now women are doing it. No, they explicitly and intentionally write into their laws, abortion is illegal, but this shall not be applied to the mother.

Because they say it is mean to criminalize women. it is mean to not criminalize women. women, you are not idiots. And the pro-life movement treats you like you are. you are not smart enough to understand what you are doing. you are not smart enough to understand even if the civil government says, "Hey, men, women, boys, girls, does not matter who you are, nobody is allowed to murder anyone else." They think if we pass that law, you are not smart enough to realize that means you cannot murder your own child through abortion. that is what the pro-life movement continually says. women. Women, many of them do not know what they are doing. Or we should just show them grace and mercy for murdering their own children. What does God say about that? Do not pervert justice. Do not show partiality. The pro-life laws that we have in our state, many other those 10 other states that do not allow abortion doctors to do it, but give blanket explicit immunity to the mother. They word it in such a way that even if she with malice of forethought murders her own child, nothing will ever be done to stop her.

But abolitionists refuse to show partiality in judgment because our conscience is captive to the word of God. This really gets to the crux of the matter with like the smashmouth incrementalism of Doug Wilson and those like him versus abolitionism, too. They argue for incremental laws and steps to make abortion completely illegal. Like it is not like abolitionists are against taking steps and like convincing people and things like that. Abolitionists are against doing things God says do not do. And all of those incremental laws either use unequal weights and measures that God calls an abomination or they show partiality to the wicked which God forbids. They said, 'Well, we are not going to pass a law that God says he hates and then act like it is a step in the right direction,' or as some of them say, we are sinning in the right direction.

Not when God says he hates it. And so, the abolitionist will refuse to show partiality and judgment because why? Because our conscience is captive to the word of God. What we do in this situation is determined by what God says. What does God say about justifying the wicked and condemning the righteous?

This is what the pro-life laws do in those 10 states explicitly and even in our state. They literally justify the wicked. The law states a woman will not be criminally liable even if she gets an abortion. It is just dressing it up. Like if a woman with malice of forethought murders her own child, the civil government will still look at her and say just not guilty. We will not even deal with it. What does God say about justifying the wicked? Proverbs 17:15, he who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the Lord.

the pro-life laws that have been passed and they are always supported. They justify the wicked by giving the mother blanket immunity. And they condemn the righteous by refusing to protect image-bearers of God in the womb from those who would do them harm. That is what Proverbs 17:15 is. It is having to do with the wicked and the righteous, especially in the court of law. The righteous not meaning those with the imputed righteousness of Christ, but the righteous meaning those who are innocent and deserve the protection of the law. The wicked in this sense is those who have done evil. And to the governing authority, God says through the wise men in Proverbs 17:15, he who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the Lord. This is what the pro-life movement has been doing and continues to do. They even did it last week in South Dakota. The biggest voices against the abolition bill last week in South Dakota were pro-life leaders and legislators, professed Christian Republican proliferers. Dale Barter of South Dakota Right to Life. This is the biggest pro-life organization in South Dakota. He showed up at the committee hearing for the abolition bill to testify against it to say, "Do not do this." And just so you are clear, all an abolition bill does is take the same homicide code that applies to you and applies it to all human beings from the moment of fertilization. The same law that protects you and anybody who does harm to you or murders you, they get due process of the law. So, anybody who gets an abortion once an abolition bill is passed, they still get due process. You have to prove it. There is not going to be a nanny state where people are like spying on women's cycles or something like that. No, no, no. It is the same homicide code that is applied to you actually gets applied to everyone equally from the moment of fertilization till natural death. And the pro-life movement showed up because this bill would potentially criminalize a woman who murdered her baby. The pro-life movement showed up to speak against it. Then Jenna Fellerberg, a nurse at the largest pregnancy resource center in South Dakota, testified against the bill and she even slandered the bill and misrepresented Christ and his gospel. Leah Anderson, a counselor at a pregnancy resource center, testified against the bill. Al No, a pro-life representative, took time out of his day to come and testify. Even though he was not on the committee, he took time out of his legislative process and came to testify against the abolition bill just last week in South Dakota. You know who else was there opposing the bill in South Dakota? Planned Parenthood and the ACLU.

So, the pro-life movement did the work of Planned Parenthood for them. A year or

two ago in Missouri, a friend of mine, Bradley Pierce, who is an abolitionist, attorney, constitutional attorney. he is a 1689 reformed Baptist brother from Texas. He was in Missouri testifying for the bill. And Planned Parenthood came to testify against it. And when it came their turn to talk, they said, "Nah, we are okay. We do not need to talk." Because so many pro-life organizations showed up before them and testified against the bill that would establish justice for the pre-born because it would potentially criminalize a woman

because it would actually condemn the wicked and justify the righteous. Abolitionists refuse to justify the wicked and condemn the righteous because our conscience is captive to the word of God. There are many other things that we could say about this, but you need to see that the pro-life movement is not biblical. it is not Christ-honoring. it is filled with "what do we think will work?" And then even just what do we think will save the most babies even if in reality it does not actually save the most babies. it is not "how can we glorify God?" "How can we be faithful to Christ?" "How can we point out the horror of abortion and also point people to Christ crucified?" "How can we do that and bring glory to God?" The abolitionist movement needs more Christians, faithful, confessional parts of local churches, Christians to actually stand up, speak up for the righteous.

The abolitionist conscience is bound to obeying the golden rule. Whatever you wish that others would do to you, do for them. For this is the law and the prophets. Matthew 7:12, "The abolitionist conscience is bound to trusting in and imitating Christ." Because Christ abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. How are you and I most like? How about by abolishing evils? Christ abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. So the abolitionist says, "I want to trust in and imitate the Lord Jesus Christ." Brothers and sisters, with everything in life and especially even here as we consider abortion and what our duty is, bind your conscience to the scriptures and you will not fall for the silly gimmicks and tricks. Bind your conscience to the scriptures and you will enjoy and glorify God.

Pray with me. Our father, we thank you for your word. We ask you to help us to bind our consciences to your word so that even if ours are weak or seared or defiled or wounded or even evil because of indwelling sin that we will not go astray because we are always informing our conscience by thus says the Lord. We ask you to grant repentance to those who need to repent. We ask you to grant repentance to those legislators even in our state house who are standing against or not standing for the abolition of abortion to protect all image-bearers under law for your glory. We ask that you change the mind and the heart of Representative Worthen so that he would give the abolition bill a hearing in the judiciary committee. We ask that you give boldness and courage to all of our representatives and senators so that they would do the very thing that you have established them to do to follow justice and only justice. We will continue to labor

by the strength you give us, but you must cause the fruit. You must cause the growth. We ask you, Father, abolish abortion in our state, in this nation, in your world. Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Help us to trust in and imitate Christ. it is in his name we pray. Amen.