



# Life Support



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## Lord, You Know Everyone's Heart. (Acts 1:24)

### Genetic Engineering

"Editing the DNA of a human embryo to prevent a disease in a baby could be ethically allowable one day—but only in rare circumstances and with safeguards in place, says a [widely anticipated report](#) released" Feb 14, 2017.

So says "an international committee convened by the U.S. National Academy of Sciences (NAS) and the National Academy of Medicine in Washington, D.C."

In part, the intention was to provide a means to prevent diseases in a baby resulting from parents "who both have serious genetic disease and for whom embryo editing is 'really the last reasonable option'".

The committee went on to attempt to justify this proposal. "The committee's report finds that human embryo editing may be acceptable to prevent a baby from inheriting a serious genetic disease—but only if specific safety and ethical criteria are met. For example, the couple cannot have 'reasonable alternatives', such as the option of selecting healthy embryos for in-vitro fertilization (IVF) or using prenatal testing and aborting a fetus with the disease."

"The United Kingdom and Sweden have both approved such experiments."

The application of controls is to first open the door to what is today an unacceptable practice. And the proposed controls are to issue limits beyond which no one is to pass. If we compare that to how those limits controlled assisted suicide, we can easily see that the limit must be not to open the door in the first place.

One of the most likely results of this practice will be to promote "designer babies", those with blue eyes, blond hair, or any other "preferences" which anyone can imagine.

Too often, whatever science can imagine and propose is accepted without sufficient evaluation.



### Quote Without Comment

[From Westley J. Smith](#): "a new California regulation grants terminally ill, involuntarily confined, mentally ill patients the right to seek court release from their hospital to commit assisted suicide. If refused, the regulation requires the state to facilitate the death.

"Think about this. California specifically requires government cooperation with the suicides of people adjudicated to be so mentally ill, they are confined involuntarily for treatment.

"Wow. The so-called 'death with dignity' movement is driving us out of our collective minds."

### Babies vs. Eagles

We have used the eagle's egg example when comparing the protection given to animals which does not translate to protection given to unborn babies. An unborn eagle is an eagle; an unborn baby is a fetus or tissue.

Well, now we have an example of eagle part [traffickers](#) caught in the act and being subjected to the full extent of the law. Yet, the baby part investigators are being sued and charged to the full extent of the law for doing just what the heroes of the eagle trafficking are being praised for.



### Safe, Legal, and Rare

The word Rare has become a problem for abortion supporters, as it suggests abortion may have some negative aspects.

They would change the argument to eliminate the word Rare and to say nobody wants an unplanned pregnancy. In that way they remove the unborn from view and concentrate only on the mother.

Such is their way of being "open". We know this is willfully obscuring the issue.

### Poor PP

The Washington Post bemoans, "A congressional plan to make Planned Parenthood ineligible for federal funding would leave many women without services to help them avoid pregnancy, resulting in thousands of additional births, according to a new federal budget analysis."

According to Planned Parenthood, this "reaffirms what we (PP) already know: the provision to 'defund' Planned Parenthood would have disastrous consequences and result in women losing access to care, especially services that help women prevent unintended pregnancies,

This is just more "woe is me" from a group which has no more to do than to whine about free money to line their pockets, already flush with cash at the expense of unborn babies.

### Gendercide

"A British ethicist (and abortionist) ([Professor Wendy Savage](#)) caused

international outrage when she argued that women should be allowed to have abortions because the child they're carrying is the

'wrong' sex."

She continued, "If a woman does not want to have a foetus who is one sex or the other, forcing her [to go through with the pregnancy] is not going to be good for the eventual child, and it's not going to be good for [the mother's] mental health."

The [author of this article](#) concluded, "No baby should be singled out for death due to his gender, but no baby should be singled out for death at all. If it is wrong to kill babies because of their gender, then why is it less wrong to kill them for another reason?"