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I Was...Ill...and You Did Not Care for Me. (Mt 25:42-43)

“Shortening Lives”

Supporters of assisted suicide, euthanasia, and ‘Death with Dignity’ are notorious for using words to obscure their real intent. An expression gaining popularity in their jargon is “shortening lives”.

That expression is used to justify stopping suffering or prolonging the inevitable, as if their action is more noble, kinder, or more just than killing, murder, or any other word which truly depicts what they are doing.

Shortening a life means ending it before God, in his wisdom, intends it to end. It is imposing human values in place of God’s plan.

While these supporters do not admit it, abortion is just one more way to “shorten” lives.

HHS Regulation

A [proposed rule](#) which requires that “none of the funds appropriated for Title X may be used in programs where abortion is a method of family planning and related statutory requirements”, returns the Title X regulation to its original form and intent.

This is one more step by the present administration to defund abortion supporting businesses.

Fatherhood

Anguish/desperation inflicts fathers when they are unable to defend their children from abortion since they have no legal rights.

Words Misused

We frequently reference Paul Stark for his pro-life writings. Again he hits the mark with his article, [Abortion is not health care: why the abortion Industry embraces scientifically absurd euphemisms.](#)

Yea Arizona

In [Arizona, Senate Bill 1393](#) (now state law) sets a precedent. It is the first in the nation, where, in cases of divorce, when there is dispute over the future of frozen embryos, to require [custody of the frozen embryos to be given to the parent who wants to bring them to birth](#). A parent not wanting to do so is denied any authority over the embryos and is no longer legally responsible for them.

A curious consequence of this legislation begs the question, if a frozen embryo is treated as a living being and protected from death/destruction, why is a similar embryo in utero not given the same respect?

It is a question which could easily come before the US Supreme Court.

When it Begins

In embryology, [Carnegie stages](#) are a standardized system of 23 stages used to provide a unified developmental chronology of the vertebrate embryo. [Life begins at fertilization](#). That is physically, scientifically, and medically factual.

“After fertilization has taken place a new human has come into being. [It] is no longer a matter of taste or opinion...it is plain experimental evidence. Each individual has a very neat beginning, at conception.” Dr. Jerome Lejeune (c 1989)

If they say, “we don’t know” when life begins, that is ignorance. If they say “it is when the parents decide”, that is arrogance. If they say “it is at birth”, that is indecision. And, if they say “it is after birth”, that is incompetence.

To My Dying Day

Abortion is not the great stress reliever, the problem solver, the panacea it is so often portrayed to be. Many women live with a life-long regret. [Here](#) is one example.

The Starters

A new concept this is not, but it is surely an essential one.

Current political leaders were previously in lesser positions. Earlier, they were in staff and subordinate positions.

The message is, since you want pro-life leaders, you need to elect and appoint pro-lifers in the beginning, the starters.

VOTE PRO-LIFE!

D&E Abortions

The tragedy of D&E abortion cannot be overstated. Tearing apart an unborn baby, ripping her limbs from her body so as to remove her more easily from the womb, ignores the incredible pain which she experiences.

The good news, Kentucky is the ninth state to pass a law banning this gruesome practice. Kentucky joins Kansas; Oklahoma; West Virginia, Mississippi; Alabama; Louisiana; Arkansas, and Texas.

To nobody’s surprise, ACLU immediately filed a lawsuit challenging the law.

ACLU’s [justification](#) shows how irrational and one-sided their thinking must be to hold their position. They totally ignore the pain endured by the baby and speak of travel time to another facility and other “intolerable” inconveniences as justification for abortion.

They ignore the victim, the unborn.

A Good Read

We do not know of a finer author on human exceptionalism than Wesley J. Smith. [His book, Culture of Death, The Age of Do Harm Medicine](#), identifies current destructive trends in medicine attempting to distinguish between lives worth and not worth living. Such lines are arbitrary and artificial.