Authentically Pro-Life

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There are differing opinions on what it means to truly be Pro-life. Sadly, the prevailing opinion is to be privately against abortion, whether such sympathies often or ever translate into appropriate action.

The big question is, in light of the Earth being spiritually drenched in the innocent blood of more than 2 billion of Christ's "least brothers" as used by Jesus in His quantum parable of the Sheep and the Goats, how does Jesus judge His church's response or lack thereof? If when explaining how to "inherit eternal life" Christ taught that simply being "anti-robber" and "pro-safe travel" would fail to save the Priest and Levite, how shall we fare who fail the test of being Good Samaritans?

Tragically, aborting well over 2 billion, 10 to 20 times the entire planet's population in Christ's day, thus turning the womb into the most dangerous place on Earth, is just the pinnacle a long list of serious sins that have no doubt reached Heaven. Scripture repeatedly warns that participation in the shedding of innocent blood, either by commission or omission, has a devastating effect on God's people.

Some have asked "Why does God allow abortion?" Perhaps the more salient question is why do we? More in keeping with Revelation's apostate church of Laodicea than Philadelphia (literally: those who love the womb), might Satan's temptation's have corrupted us as they did David in regards to Bathsheba and numbering Israel? If so, Churchianity's apathy and worse may well be aborting our prayers, worship and communion and according to Jesus, even our salvation.

Many will object, claiming exception from responsibility having not personally been involved in abortion. Yet, according to a variety of pro-life Scriptures, God requires we get involved. Not by sins of commission, such as clinical or contraceptive abortions (produced by abortifacient properties in many forms of common birth control), but by ending our sins of omission (failure to appropriately respond).

Some oppositions to the Kingdom of God are obvious and others obscure. Some are recent and others entrenched over time. Some are corporate in nature and others personal.

Abortion is all the above.

The spiritual scourge of 2 billion clinical abortions should be obvious. On the other hand, being quietly performed in *clinics* claiming to specialize in *family planning* services obscures the issue.

As does the abortifacient nature of many popular contraceptives.

Abortion on demand was legalized during our generation. Even so, massive technological and social changes can make five decades *seem* like centuries.

Wholesale participation in abortion has immense corporate impact. Yet, at least in the developed world, it remains the result of a *mother's* personal choice.

In the same vein, Scripture explains that some sins are deal breakers and some are not:

"Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, *murders*, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that *those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.*" Galatians 5:19-21 New King James Version

The same may be said for **acts of omission**. Jesus sternly warned in His parable of the Sheep and Goats:

• "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer Him,

saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." Matthew 25:41-46 New King James Version

Christ's spiritually quantum parable of the Sheep and Goats is of the gravest concern. It *is* an event that will take place at a designated future place and time. It *is* true that all of mankind will be separated into those entering "everlasting punishment" and "the righteous into eternal life." It *is not* true that people are sheep and goats. Although "sheeple" often seems an apt metaphor. It *is* true that Jesus is "the savior of all men." Here and elsewhere, Scripture reveals that all humanity is loosed from the power of the first death through universal resurrection. A shared benefit of Christ's costly atonement. It *is not* true that this translates to universal salvation. Just ask the goats. As well as "the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

In this parable Christs reveals that *both* the sheep and goats are clueless as to His extreme concern and identification with the needy. Even so, discerning and doing one's duty, or not, *eternally separates the two camps*. Such confusion seems surprising in light of this and other teachings of Jesus, as well as His apostles. All having been painstakingly handed down for millennia. Then again, genuine and Biblical spiritual insensitivity is fast becoming more the rule than exception.

Many dismiss all such concerns on the grounds of having asked and received blanket forgiveness for this and any other sins. But is the shedding of the most innocent blood of billions of pre-born babies like any other sin?

Furthermore, is merely asking for forgiveness enough? Biblically, receiving forgiveness is rooted in genuine repentance. Seen from this perspective, repentance is best expressed in the military terminology "Halt, about face, march!" A process perfectly illustrated by Paul's directive to thieves (such as stealing the lives of billions of pre-born babies) and God's perfect formula for repentance found in 2 Chronicles 7:14.

The concept of "Halt, about face, march!" is also reinforced in the old riddle, "When is a thief not a thief?" The Biblical answer is not when someone stops stealing (that's just an out of work thief)...

• "If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need." Ephesians 4:28

Herein lies one of several grave errors in modern Christianity's understanding of Biblical repentance. All too often initiates are bid simply to "believe" in the Cross of Christ, with little or no discussion of serious and deep repentance, much less sanctification and reconciliation to God and others.

The above passage references **3 steps necessary** for Biblical repentance:

1. **Halt**: Quit stealing

2. **About Face**: Use your hands for good hard work

3. **March**: Give generously to others in need

This same formula for repentance is displayed in 2 Chronicles 7:14:

"Solomon completed building The Temple of GOD and the royal palace—the projects he had set his heart on doing. Everything was done—success! Satisfaction! GOD appeared to Solomon that very night and said, "I accept your prayer; yes, I have chosen this place as a temple for sacrifice, a house of worship. If I ever shut off the supply of rain from the skies or order the locusts to eat the crops or send a plague on my people, and my people, my Goddefined people, respond by humbling themselves, praying, seeking my presence, and turning their backs on their wicked lives, I'll be there ready for you: I'll listen from heaven, forgive their sins, and restore their land to health." 2 Chronicles 7:11-14

In the simplest of algebraic formulas the LORD states that **IF** His people will complete four requirements of repentance: A+B+C+D will equal EFG!

HUMBLE THEMSELVES

- and PRAY
- and SEEK His Face
- and TURN from their WICKED WAYS... **THEN** (and only then) the He will:
- HEAR from Heaven
- and FORGIVE their SINS
- and HEAL their Land

This passage addresses the quantity and quality of the components of honest and lasting repentance. Heartfelt humility and serious prayer, diligence in seeking God and embracing sanctification comprise Scripture's four spiritual laws providing access to answered prayer, forgiveness and spiritual if not physical healing. All part and parcel of walking out the necessary steps of following Christ.

It can't be overstated that in the quantum parable of the Sheep and the Goats, Jesus forever condemns not just those committing abortion, but those guilty of the sin of omission by failing to rescue the perishing. This in keeping with a myriad of Scriptures, including a direct warning from Proverbs:

"Rescue the perishing; don't hesitate to step in and help. If you say, "Hey, that's none of my business," will that get you off the hook? Someone is watching you closely, you know—Someone not impressed with weak excuses."
Proverbs 24:11-12 The Message

This bodes poorly for modern Christianity which for decades did little to end the holocaust of clinical abortion. Again, add to this the all but ubiquitous use of contraceptive abortion through abortifacients, and we have a serious eternal problem. Particularly given the hesitancy or even refusal of church leadership to be informed, much less inform their congregations. Who, if they were like the average Catholic may well be warned, but pay little attention.

Rev. 9:21; 21:8; 22:15; Gal. 5:20 - these verses mention the word "sorcery." The Greek word is "pharmakeia" which includes abortifacient potions such as birth control pills. These pharmakeia are mortally sinful. Moreover, chemical contraception does not necessarily prevent conception, but may actually kill the child in the womb after conception has occurred (by preventing the baby from attaching to the uterine wall).

Most clergy and laity object to such concerns, citing being personally pro-life and antiabortion. Yet as noted, Christ seems to dismiss such justification in His story, not parable, of The Good Samaritan. One may well image the Priest and Levite who passed by, leaving the victim half dead, were both pro-safe travel and anti-robbery. Yet failing to stop and render immediate and long term aid nevertheless condemned them.

Keep in mind that church attending Christians could have ended abortion in a single day, 365 days a year, for 50 years, by simply sending 1% of our congregations to have family friendly picnics in front of every abortion *clinic* in America. With thousands peacefully blocking entrances, even should there be numerous arrests, the sheer numbers involved would shut down all abortuaries in a single day. With 99% more now authentically pro-life Christians waiting for a chance to join cause.

Still hundreds of millions maintain that the distance from the scene of the crime, abortion clinics, exonerates them from guilt. They argue that even if abortion is murder, there are many murders for which believers bear no responsibility. True, yet if they had been regularly scheduled to take place at a business locations for decades, producing a death toll of over 63 million in America alone, and we did nothing, would we not be culpable?

Now many may well say, "Lord, Lord, we've covered the ends of the Earth making converts and helping the poor in your name." But might Christ then ask, "Why are half My lambs slaughtered? Why are you covered in their blood? *However you have treated the least of these, My brothers, you have treated Me.*" He, who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches: "Come, let us reason together. Though your sins be as scarlet you may yet be washed whiter than snow."

Note again Christ's purposeful use of the Priest and Levite in the story of the Good Samaritan, one of only two passages where Jesus is asked the all important question, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Interestingly, unlike the extra Biblical Pharisee and Sadducee much more prevalent throughout the gospel accounts, the Priest and Levite from this story were required and ordained by God.

In this actual account introduced by, "There was a..." rather than "The kingdom of God is like..." we are not told directly why the Priest and Levite failed salvation's test

or what they were on their way to do. Given the importance of the topic, the absence of detail strongly suggest that their reasons for passing by and leaving a man left "half dead" were judged irrelevant.

In the same way the preponderance of modern Christians seem sympathetic to the issue and plight of abortion. Nonetheless, like the Priest and Levite before us, for decades we passed by a generation left half dead, failed to discern that God so wonderfully and completely identifies with the needy that what we do and fail to do to the least, we've done or failed to do to Christ.

According to Jesus, this is what it means to "*love your neighbor as yourself.*" Remember, according to the context of the greatest question, "*What must I do to inherit eternal life?*" those without this kind of living faith will not do so. Seeing there's so much at stake, perhaps hundreds of millions need to reconsider the ramification of these and 150 other pro-life Scriptures.

Such concerns and more strongly suggest the overwhelming vast majority of First World believers fall far short of the Bible's standard of being authentically pro-life.

Even if and when agreeing to any or all the above points, many may excuse their past and present behavior by maintaining their sins have been or may be forgive just for the asking. Yet this alone hardly equates to Biblical forgiveness.

Wikipedia explains: In Biblical Hebrew, the idea of repentance is represented by two verbs: שוב shuv (to return) and נחם nicham (to feel sorrow). In the New Testament, the word translated as 'repentance' is the Greek word μετάνοια (metanoia)... 'to think differently after'. Metanoia is therefore primarily an after-thought, different from the former thought; a change of mind accompanied by regret and change of conduct, change of mind and heart, or, change of consciousness.

The Apostle Paul, the New Testament's greatest and living example of repentance states it this way:

• "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God-this is your true and proper worship. **Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be**

transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:1-2

Putting the "penance" in repentance, Scripture reinforces the need for a change of both attitude and action in the first of only two alter calls recorded in the New Testament. Establishing himself as the Baptist, John calls Israel, the church of his day, to pre-revival repentance. Yet note his accusation and its timing. In the middle of his audience obediently responds, he stops them short with a strange question:

• Then he said to the multitudes that came out to be baptized by him, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones. And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." Luke 3:7

What makes John's accusation so bizarre is the obvious answer to his question, "Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?" One easily imagines the crowds confused glances as they answer, "you did you crazy preacher..."

More interesting still, according to Scripture, no Jew had ever been baptized. Few appreciate what an amazingly significant role John's accomplishment played in preparing "*stubborn and hardheaded*" believers for the appearance of their Redeemer. Without a single recorded miracle, John's coming in the spirit of Elijah, accomplished what Elijah's three accounts of heavenly fire could not. Jews, *perhaps even including Pharisees*, came to immerse themselves in the waters of the Jordan. The entire region thereby participating in an *unprecedented act of repentance*.

Baptism, as instituted by John, exemplified by Jesus and implemented by the apostles was Scripturally unique. While the concept may have arisen from the Jewish ceremonial washings of *Mikveh*, John's application was certainly *next generation*. John used baptism to demonstrate his message of extraordinary repentance by requiring Jews to undergo a rite reserved for Gentile converts. Baptism, for example, is listed by the Jewish philosopher *Maimonides*, along with circumcision and sacrifice, as one of

the three requirements for *Gentile proselytes to Judaism*. By commanding Israel to repent *and be baptized*, John dramatized his message that God's people had fallen from their privileged position as "sons of Abraham."

There is no modern equivalent in Christendom. Even the Pope commanding all Catholics to be re-baptized and re-confirmed, and/or a Billy Graham figure demanding all *Born Again Christians* get back to the altar and pray through until it took, would *fail in comparison*. Such proclamations would be as radical as they would be unwelcomed. Yet, not nearly so much as that of the Baptist's. *Jews inherited their faith and had never been baptized* into it to begin with. Additionally, males proudly carried in their bodies the mark of sanctification through circumcision.

John seems to rubs Israel's nose in their unworthiness to even repent. And this before they had even met, much less rejected, their Messiah. The no doubt offended and perplexed church of his day, pressed by his menacing warnings, cried out in confusion:

So the people asked him, saying, "What shall we do then?" He answered and said to them, "He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise." Then tax collectors also came to be baptized, and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Collect no more than what is appointed for you." Likewise the soldiers asked him, saying, "And what shall we do?" So he said to them, "Do not intimidate anyone or accuse falsely, and be content with your wages."... And with many other exhortations he preached to the people. Luke 3:10

John's less than "seeker friendly" message is accentuated by his style and further sharpened by his directives. He demands more than words or emotions. Like his cousin Jesus and all Biblical orators he clearly shows saving faith requires action, not attitudes or platitudes. Additionally, the Baptist seems to agree with Jesus, Paul, James, and the Apostle John that the second great commandment, to love one's neighbor, also fulfills the first commandment's duty to God.

Such passages highlight several grave errors in modern Christianity's understanding of Biblical repentance. As noted, all too often initiates are bid simply to "believe" in

the Cross of Christ with little or no discussion of serious and deep repentance, much less the need to carry one's own:

- One day when large groups of people were walking along with him, Jesus turned and told them, "Anyone who comes to me but refuses to let go of father, mother, spouse, children, brothers, sisters—yes, even one's own self!—can't be my disciple. Anyone who won't shoulder his own cross and follow behind me *can't be my disciple*." Luke 14:25-27 The Message
- "Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this...Here is a trustworthy saying: *If we died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him.* If we disown him, he will also disown us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself." 2 Timothy 2:3-7, 11-13

Cheapening God's grace and forgiveness by short-circuiting our pursuing and experiencing deep and ongoing repentance results in three particularly unfortunate misunderstandings:

- **1.** <u>Lack of Appreciation</u>: "Easy believism" almost always translates to continued ignorance of sin as well as a lack of gratefulness:
 - There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with

oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. **Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.**" Luke 7:41-47

- **2.** <u>Lack of Awareness</u>: Careful Scriptural archeology and Biblical forensics reveals a history of eternity wherein the course of human history is shaped against a backdrop of a fantastic and unfolding heavenly rebellion and drama, a tiny piece of which is recorded in the Book of Job. From Adam and Eve's fall in the Garden of Eden to Judas and Peter's betrayals in the Garden of Gethsemane, the Bible is replete with examples of devilish temptation and deception entrapping the hearts and minds of men:
 - "And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." 2 Corinthians 4:3-4
 - "Run away from infantile indulgence. Run after mature righteousness—faith, love, peace—joining those who are in honest and serious prayer before God. Refuse to get involved in inane discussions; they always end up in fights. God's servant must not be argumentative, but a gentle listener and a teacher who keeps cool, working firmly but patiently with those who refuse to obey. You never know how or when God might sober them up with a change of heart and a turning to the truth, enabling them to escape the Devil's trap, where they are caught and held captive, forced to run his errands." 2 Timothy 2:22-26 The Message
- **3.** <u>Lack of Preparation</u>: An understandable if not expected result of a combined lack of appreciation and awareness is the failure to appropriately prepare for the rigors of current and future spiritual challenges. Oppositions to faith arise from many sectors, fueled by a range of issues from mortality to demonic resistance. As seen in Christ's terrible parable of the 10 Virgins, preparation is the key to endurance and thus the rewards of salvation. The process of repentance is foundational to donning the full armor of God in hopes of being able to withstand the onslaught of the Evil One:
 - "And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best

materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no afternoon athletic contest that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels. Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. **Truth, righteousness, peace, faith, and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them.** *You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an indispensable weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare.* Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out." Ephesians 6:10-18 The Message

- **4.** <u>Lack of Perception</u>: Failure to begin and continue the event and process of radical repentance supports a false impression that our state as a species and society, secular and religious is far less precarious than in fact it is. Scripture repeatedly warns to judge with "*righteous judgment*."
 - "Prophets and priests and everyone in between twist words and doctor truth. My dear Daughter—my people—broken, shattered, and yet they put on Band-Aids, Saying, "It's not so bad. You'll be just fine." But things are not "just fine!" Do you suppose they are embarrassed over this outrage? Not really. They have no shame. They don't even know how to blush. There's no hope for them. They've hit bottom and there's no getting up. As far as I'm concerned, they're finished.' GOD has spoken." Jeremiah 8:11-12 The Message
 - "Remember our history, friends, and be warned. All our ancestors were led by the providential Cloud and taken miraculously through the Sea. They went through the waters, in a baptism like ours, as Moses led them from enslaving death to salvation life. They all ate and drank identical food and drink, meals provided daily by God. They drank from the Rock, God's fountain for them that stayed with them wherever they were. And the Rock was Christ. But just experiencing God's wonder and grace didn't seem to mean much—most of them were defeated by temptation during the hard times in the desert, and God was not pleased. The same thing could happen to us. We must be on guard so that we never get caught up in wanting our own

way as they did. And we must not turn our religion into a circus as they did

-"First the people partied, then they threw a dance." We must not be sexually
promiscuous—they paid for that, remember, with 23,000 deaths in one day! We
must never try to get Christ to serve us instead of us serving him; they tried it,
and God launched an epidemic of poisonous snakes. We must be careful not to
stir up discontent; discontent destroyed them. These are all warning markers—
danger!—in our history books, written down so that we don't repeat their
mistakes. Our positions in the story are parallel—they at the beginning, we at
the end—and we are just as capable of messing it up as they were. Don't be so
naive and self-confident. You're not exempt. You could fall flat on your face
as easily as anyone else." 1 Corinthians 10:1-11 The Message

- **5. Lack of Appropriate Response**: The synergistic effect of issues 1-4 conspire to all but insure the vast majority of individuals and families, churches and denominations, nations and entire societies fail to grasp much less meet God's requirements in the areas of obedience, thankfulness and productivity. Furthermore, such mass delusion creates a tenuous grasp at best on even the most basic tenants of Biblical Christianity such as living faith and salvation, seeking God and morality, social justice and judgment. Much less more subtle concerns such as issues with God and end time prophecy. What is desperately needed are quantum and Prophetic Christians who aspire to be men of God full of understanding like Abraham rather than simply godly men like Lot who paid dearly for being clueless in Sodom. Meeting the requirement for such a transformation may be best hoped for by fully responding to Peter's additions to faith:
 - "By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone. The

more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins. So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away. Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 2:3-11

Genuine and honest Biblical study and application requires spiritually quantum balance and equilibrium. For example, as a decades old prayer partner once noted in regards to resolving the tension between accurately discerning Scripture and the centrality of the Holy Spirit, "Evangelism without prayer is Fruitless, Prayer without Evangelism is Faithless. Scripture without the Spirit is Lifeless, the Spirit without Scripture is Baseless." With this mind, let us more prayerfully study the Bible, recognizing Scripture itself must be "spiritually discerned."

Perhaps the most insightful and challenging repentance checklists was authored by none other than Charles Finney. Arguably the most spiritually powerful man to walk the earth since the apostles, he was a famous key player in America's 2nd Great Awakening. See extensive library collection of sermons and books. Prior to his untimely and tragic death, Keith Green as the founder of Last Days Ministries paraphrased and promoted this list outline entitled, "Breaking Up The Fallowed Ground." This one page trifold tract may be purchased from Last Days Ministries. Click here to view pdf.

Mindful of these and a myriad of other such warnings, we do well to individually and collectively practice the vanishing art of brokenness with repentance, honesty with humility. Let us cease trading presumption for faith, in our prayers and worship, teaching and fellowship.

Having done so, by all means let us cautiously yet boldly approach Omnity's throne of grace to obtain mercy in these times of need. Remembering our God, the Creator of 200 billion trillion stars, is indeed "a consuming fire." The Eternal Father of all mankind, burning more brilliantly than the perigee of all suns. In Whom's presence the angels of children continualy stand. From the moment of fertilization. Keeping in

mind Christ's dual promise and its implied warning, "Whoever embraces one of these children as I do embraces me, and far more than me—God who sent me."

UPDATE: Roe vs. Wade Overturned

To the joy of countless millions, on Friday 6/24/22 the landmark decision Hobbs *vs*. Jackson by the Supreme Court of the United States overturned Roe *vs*. Wade. Thus auspiciously ending 50 years of national tyranny against over 60 million pre-born.

Or at lease throwing the decision to allow mothers to continue conspiring with physicians to murder the offspring within their wombs back to America's 50 individual states...

Nor does it address the more subtle yet sinful and deadly issue of contraceptive abortifacients, prevalent throughout society and modern Christianity.

While I now live in North East Texas, years ago I spent nearly 100 Saturdays at Central California clinics warning and imploring up to twenty girls a day to spare their babies. Via public parking constraints, forced to pass near I implored, "If God gives you the gift of a child don't let anyone harm it" while handing them carefully explicit literature.

Often alone, sometimes there would be nearly a handful of us. On a good day, one or two mothers would listen and change their minds.

On many other occasions none at all.

As in Christ's end time parable of the Sheep and Goats, there I discovered Jesus in His smallest and most innocent form. Totally dependent for "food" and "drink," "naked" and "in prison" in the very womb of His mother. There I watched as He was repeatedly carried, "Like a lamb to the slaughter," into a medical clinic. A most solemn and sorrowful scenario with grave spiritual ramifications.

One repeated in Fresno alone over 50,000 times.

In over two years I don't recall a single member of the clergy or even lay leader joining us. Though I understand the odds may have somewhat improved through the influence of 40 Days For Life.

Only a fraction of fraction of a percent of ordained ministers have served as a director of a leading pro-life organization. Far less still have had the honor and responsibility to act as a leading liaison to over a thousand churches in state wide pro-life political initiatives.

With well over thirty years in strategic Christian service, including more than a decade of pastoral ministry and pro-life activism, the author is privileged to belong to a select fraternity. This and other articles and books represent a culmination of this experience. Using such depth perception, this commentary is intended to introduce the true nature of the challenge presented by abortion. Particularly to modern Christianity.

During California's 2005 Prop. 73 Parent's Right To Know initiative I produced the prolife political DVD entitled "Protect Me...Please" to be shown in hundreds, if not thousands of churches, prior to or on election Sunday. Groundbreaking, the 3 minute video featuring post abortive laments of teenage girls, made the front page of both the LA Times and San Francisco Chronicle. Prop. 73 failed by a narrow margin.

During the subsequent Prop. 85 initiative I achieved another milestone. For the first time, four leading Protestant state denominations, the *Southern Baptists, Assemblies of God, Calvary Chapel and Foursquare*, officially endorsed a political initiative. Again Parent's Right to Know (PRK) was defeated.

Our third attempt in 2008 with Prop 4. affectionately dubbed "Sarah's Law" failed as well. More than *political*, my involvement was *spiritually* motivated. After having spoken to thousands of Christians across denominational lines, it was clear that far less than 1% of either clergy or laity had the vaguest notion of the scale of abortion's true threat to either the pre-born *or* the Church.

As a topical Biblical commentary, Quantum Christianity was designed in recognition of the need to examine and handle truth carefully *and* honestly. Scriptural *and* otherwise. The nationalized legalization of clinical abortion, and its apparent

overruling, presents a perfect case in point.

A faithful handling of the Old and New Testament requires would be students and adherents to develop spiritual discernment on a variety of subjects crucial to Biblical Christianity. The lack of which has produced hundreds of differing denominations espousing various Christs and versions of the gospel. Tragically, many of the hopeful insights inherent in Christ's command to "Judge with righteous judgment" continue to go largely unrealized within modern Christianity.

Such is certainly the case when considering the American church's 50 year track record in regards to an appropriate response to abortion. Or more accurately, the lack thereof. Both clinically and contraceptively.

Bear in mind that church attending Christians could have ended abortion in a single day, 365 days a year, for 50 years, by simply sending 1% of our congregations to have family friendly picnics in front of every abortion *clinic* in America. With thousands peacefully blocking entrances, even should there be numerous arrests, the sheer numbers involved would shut down all abortuaries in a single day. With 99% more now authentically pro-life Christians waiting for a chance to join cause.

Yet nothing could be further from the case. Then or now.

Nor have we seriously addressed the widespread use of abortifacient contraception throughout Christendom. A topic that many, if not most, churches and even pro-life organizations know or speak little about. Most often chemical in nature, early term abortions are a result of various forms of birth control and other devices. Abortions of this kind happen before the mother is aware of her pregnancy. The exact numbers are unknown. Some estimates suggest the daily total of these types of abortions may be surprising large. *In the U.S. alone perhaps between 834,000 to over 4,000,000 per year* (*Dr. Bobmir Kuhar, Infant Homicides Through Contraceptives Pg 27.*) Lower estimates range around 100,000 to over 1,500,000 annually (Randy Alcorn: Does the Birth Control *Pill Cause Abortions? How Often Does the Pill Cause Abortions?*)

Thus the compelling need to rethink Jesus' directive to "Judge with righteous judgment" should be abundantly evident.

But is it? Throughout the Hobbs *vs.* Jackson decision by the Supreme Court celebratory posts and podcasts, sermons and ceremonies, is there any awareness of the reality of the seriousness our situation? Or brokenhearted repentance in light of the depth of our failures?

Are any of today's joyful messages cognizant of the Bible's repeated warning that God is not mocked.

- "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked [He will not allow Himself to be ridiculed, nor treated with contempt nor allow His precepts to be scornfully set aside]; for whatever a man sows, this and this only is what he will reap.

 Galatians 6:7 AMP
- For they sow the wind [in evil] *And they reap the whirlwind* [in disaster]. Hosea 8:7 AMP

Is our revelry tempered with the sobering fact that while abortion is currently the pinnacle sin of mankind, it's only the tip of the iceberg? One floating in a Water World of immorality unleashed by the continual and increasing tsunami of the 60's sexual revolution redefining and/or eliminating traditional marriage and family.

And what of the all but undeniable onset of the Great Reset. Devilish sociopolitical engineering ushered in by the Iron Triangle of global politics, media and corporations. Exemplified by such modern woes as career felon George Floyd's sainthood and efforts to undermine criminal justice. Antifa and BLM riots and violence. CRT and orchestrated racial tensions. C19's *plandemic* and goal overreach. Sheltering in place and shuttered churches, social distancing and mask mandates worldwide. Medical interference and harmful *vaccines*. Woke agenda and transgenderism. America's boarder invasion and drug cartel fentanyl and carfentanil crises. Biden's malevolent war on Ukraine and America's economy. With even worse gathering on the horizon.

Yet even now, modern Christianity, up to and including the vast majority of Prophetic Christians, refuses to discern the clearly repeated handwriting on the wall. And having done so, to enter the crucible of James 4's Prayer of Anguish in hopes of James 5's reconciliation to, and empowerment by, God.

Particularly the Person of the *Holy* Spirit, Whom we continue to annoy and grieve, if not profane and blaspheme.

Instead, across America, Laodicea is masquerading as Philadelphia. Lauding the Supreme Court for Hobbs *vs.* Jackson while the highest court in the land continues to sidestep or support all the devastating atrocities mentioned above. Many of which modern Christianity has yet to Scripturally repent of, up to and including sins of clinical and/or contraceptive abortion. In regards to commission and/or omission.

Mankind's current pinnacle sin of abortion is spiritually quantum in a variety of ways. For example, it's hardly *just like any other sin*. Even so, as with any other sin, it does require the event and process of genuine repentance. Like faith itself, honest and heartfelt sanctification encompasses our entire mind, heart and will. As required by the previously mentioned passage in 2 Chronicles 7:14's perfect formula for repentance.

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