

THE FATAL HYPOCRISY OF THE PRO LIFE MOVEMENT

Iraq War Proves What We Would Want Done To Others When Our Lives Are Unjustly Threatened

From the beginning of the pro life movement to the present, one fatal flaw has prevented it from having access to the power of God required to abolish legalized abortion in the USA. That flaw was hypocrisy. The leaders of the pro life movement, like all hypocrites, have said one thing, then done exactly the opposite.

What have they said and then belied by doing something differently?

The leaders of the pro life movement have claimed to be Christians, yet they have absolutely refused to obey the first and foremost ethical requirement issued by the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus Christ codified and summarized His Ethics this way: "Therefore these things ye would that men should do to ye, do ye also unto them. For this is the law and the prophets."

The leaders of the pro life movement have never been willing to treat the unborn as they would want to be treated were they in the danger faced by the unborn; nor have the pro life leaders ever been willing to tell the truth about this hypocrisy.

I can finally prove this accusation. For over thirty years conclusive evidence was not available that could be laid at the feet of the pro life leaders. But with the advent of the recent Iraq War, clear and incontrovertible evidence is now at hand that proves the leaders of the pro life movement would never allow themselves to be treated as they have been willing to allow God's unborn children to be treated over the last three decades.

What do the Christian pro life leaders want someone to do if their lives are being threatened, if they find themselves at risk of being unjustly killed?

All you have to do to see exactly how Christians would want people to treat them is look at what the Christians of this country have done in response to the terrorist attacks on 9/11/2001. There has been a virtual monolithic support of the "preemptive war" that was designed to make it clear to the entire world that anyone, anywhere who threatened the born people of the United States of America would be ruthlessly slaughtered, and anyone who was unfortunate enough to be within bomb blast of the suspected terrorists would be slaughtered as well. That is what the Christian pro life leaders have proven they would want done to someone who was trying

to unjustly kill them.

But have they been willing to grant the unborn children of God in danger of abortion that same protection?

Actually, some have. You know their names. But these people never qualified as pro life leaders because the pro life leaders castigated them, and despised them, and reviled them, and mocked them.

Perhaps you do not know the names of the people who actually acted toward the unborn as they would want people to act toward them if they were being led to unjust slaughter. Paul Hill, Jim Kopp, Clay Waagner, Shelly Shannon, Michael Bray, John Brockhoeft, Joshua Graff, the list goes on and on until the names of every person who has ever tried to raise his or her hand to physically stop people from killing God's child unjustly is written large.

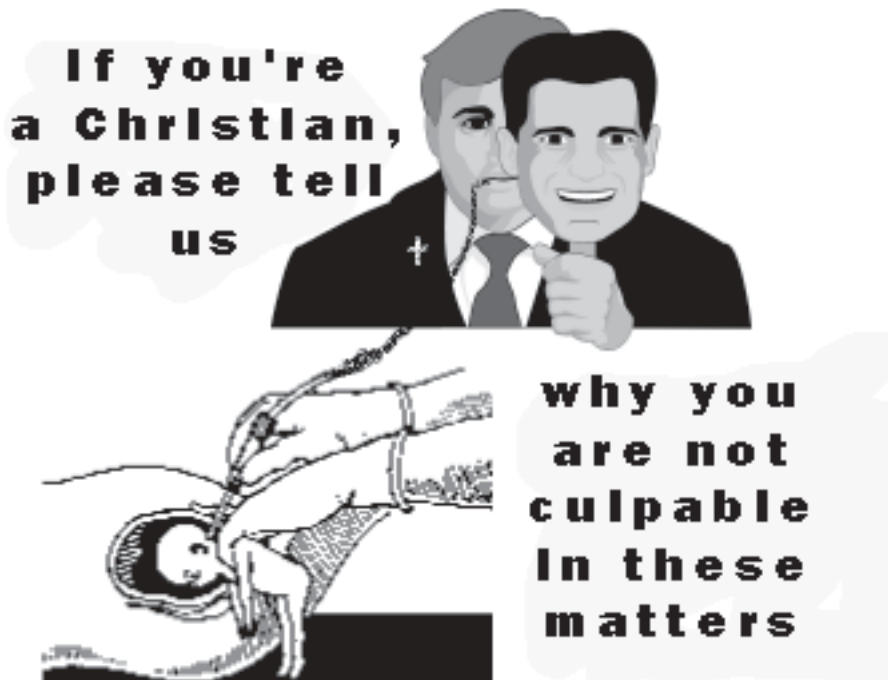
But have the leaders of the pro life movement acknowledged the attempt to obey the Lord Jesus Christ embodied by these people? No, the leaders of the pro life movement and the myriad silent supporters who actually encourage, empower and finance the actions of the pro life leaders make them out to be disobedient to the Lord

Jesus Christ *at the same time that these same leaders applaud the President of the United States of America for rising up and killing ruthlessly, even wantonly, those who would try to treat them the way the unborn are being treated.*

The rank, blatant hypocrisy is now clear to everyone on the face of the earth. Except of course to the leaders of the pro life movement. Hypocrites do not see their hypocrisy. That is what makes them hypocrites. If they did, they would cease being hypocrites and become simple honest sinners.

There is much hope for a simple honest sinner: but for a hypocrite there is none.

The Lord Jesus Christ reserved His most horrible indictment for the hypocrite. ^{Matthew 23:13}But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in. ¹⁴Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation. ¹⁵Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves."



Like the scribes and Pharisees, the pro life leaders have presumed to take the initiative in leading God's people, but like the Pharisees, they have led God's people into hypocrisy rather than into truth.

The refusal to admit that the pro life movement has never been willing to treat the unborn babies as they would want to be treated will stop. Hypocrites will not remain long as the leaders of God's people. While thirty years with the Lord is certainly not a long time, millions of wasted lives that can be laid at the doorstep of the pro life leaders should be sufficient time to grant God's people the power to finally admit that, with the few exceptions named above, none of us have ever been willing to treat God's unborn children in danger of abortion like we would want to be treated were we in that same situation.

God is the Spirit of Truth. He will not abide with nor empower those who refuse to walk in the truth.



***This Is What We Do To People
Who Unjustly Kill Born Americans***

How Hypocrisy Poisoned and Bankrupted Every Strategy of the Pro Life Movement

Hypocrisy is the inevitable result of refusing to admit that we all tend to treat other people as abstractions.

You can tell when someone is dealing with another human being as an abstraction by how they respond to the unjust and untimely death of that human being. American Censorship has halted most images these days that show how the people in war zones react in the immediate aftermath of the death of a loved one. But occasionally some images still get through from Palestine or Israel or Iraq or Afghanistan or...the list goes on and on of places where either American military might or American munitions are creating much human carnage. Watch the mother who has just realized her child has been killed by a bomb. She will shriek...or perhaps she will simply scream...or perhaps she will enter a dazed catatonia. Whatever her reaction, there will be no doubt that she has realized a real human being, one that she was literally responsible for, has been killed. To her, this human being was not an abstraction. Then watch the men in that same family. They will not usually shriek but a deadly glint will begin to burn in their eyes. If you look closely you can see it for yourself on the television that these men are not responding to death as if it was an abstraction.

After you've looked at those people, then notice how you responded when you watched the images on tv, or read the account in a newspaper. For the most part, none of us respond with anywhere near the intensity of emotion that the mother expressed or the fighting men in her family experienced.

That is because the people being killed are an abstraction to us. They literally are not like a real human being that we love like we love ourselves.

When the Lord Jesus Christ commanded His followers to "...do unto others as you would have them do unto you..." He was doing His best to prevent us from falling prey to the temptation to treat other people as abstractions. By commanding us to identify with other people so much that we defined our response options to them by what we would want done to ourselves, the Lord

Jesus Christ created an antidote to abstraction...and to hypocrisy.

The Lord Jesus Christ did more than command us to identify ourselves with other people, He demonstrated in His own life exactly what it looks like to live a life that way.

Christ Jesus did what He did the way He did it so that the whole world would have the opportunity to be delivered from the curse of death and enjoy the Presence of God forever. "The whole world" is an abstract term that only has meaning when you visualize all the individual people who ever lived in

the history of the world and place each of them, one after the other, in the sentence in place of "the whole word."

In other words, the Lord Jesus Christ dealt with no person as an abstraction.

Obviously we do not naturally act like the Lord Jesus Christ. Our ability to abstract ourselves from the world around us is one of the most natural defense mechanisms common to every person. Like the rabbit who freezes in order to hide, we can freeze that part of ourselves that identifies with every other human being when we realize that something is happening to that person that we would not want to happen to ourselves. That "freezing" is another word for abstraction.

When we treat human beings as an abstraction we simply cannot obey the Lord Jesus Christ's command that the world calls "The Golden Rule." Unless we monitor closely our every response to every human being around us, we can easily become people who treat others as abstractions even while we present ourselves to the world as faithful and obedient followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

When we treat other people as abstractions yet still claim to be obedient followers of the Lord Jesus Christ we make ourselves hypocrites. Of course as soon as we admit we have fallen prey to abstraction and are acting contrary to the commands of the Lord Jesus Christ, we can no longer be accused of hypocrisy. With such confession, we will be guilty of ordinary, natural cold hearted selfish disregard of the needs and welfare of others. With such confession comes hope for forgiveness. Upon such hope for forgiveness is the will of God and the law of God established.

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