

Pro-Life Activist: Let's Celebrate a Sanctity of Human Life Month Like No Other

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For those of us who have been working for years on the pro-life cause, this is a very special and joyous Sanctity of Human Life Month.

It's the first one since the Supreme Court in June 2022 struck down Roe v. Wade, the 1973 ruling that legalized abortion. Instead of the latest protest against Roe's cruelty and unconstitutionality, this month-long observance and the annual March for Life on Jan. 20 will be celebrations.

We still have much to do to protect innocent human life from the abortion industry. The battle is underway state by state and even city by city.

But Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization is a game changer. The highest law of the land as interpreted by the highest court in the land is no longer hostile to the pro-life viewpoint. It's no longer defensible to pretend that a baby in the womb is not human and is therefore disposable. Those who continue to advocate for abortion must make the immoral case that some human lives are not worth protecting. That should be a steep hill to climb in a nation with a Christian heritage.

Like slavery, abortion violates the moral law given us by our Creator. God's law states that all human life is sacred because we are made in His image. Many of America's founders, including Declaration of Independence author Thomas Jefferson, a slave owner, predicted that slavery's inherent conflict with God-given liberties would one day end it. It took a terrible civil war, but slavery was finally abolished.

The arguments for abortion are also unsustainable. That's why the pro-life movement has never given up. Pro-life doctors, nurses and scientists have been reminding everyone that at the moment of conception, a new human life springs into being with his or her unique genetic code.

So, what if academia, Hollywood, the media and corporate America use their enormous clout to push the fiction that human life is not in fact human? Proverbs 31:8 admonishes those of us who have voices to "speak out for those who cannot speak."

We must tell the truth, promote adoption, provide more help to mothers who keep their babies and shore up marriage, the surest family structure in which a child can thrive.

We need to make sure that the legal system, as the enforcement arm of the representative democratic republic in which we live, is no longer abused to justify the taking of innocent human life.

This means persuading millions of our fellow Americans that abortion is not the answer to an unwanted pregnancy. It means letting women who have had abortions know that Jesus offers forgiveness, peace and new life.

I recall vividly the day that my wife Bonnie and I saw the film "Silent Scream" at a theater in Orlando around 1990. This powerful movie depicts a fetus—a tiny human being—desperately trying to avoid the abortionist. Few people can watch it and walk away unaffected.

Our growing faith and clarity about abortion were driving forces in the creation of an investment fund, in 1994, for Bible-believing Christians, Timothy Plan, which pioneered Biblically Responsible Investing.

Other powerful films have also carried the pro-life message. In 2018, Timothy Partners, Timothy Plan's advisor, bought out

a theater in Orlando to show the movie "Gosnell" to our local community. Starring Dean Cain, the film exposes the evils committed by Kermit Gosnell. He was a West Philadelphia-based doctor convicted of murdering infants who were born alive and of manslaughter for the death of a woman patient.

In March 2019, our firm bought out seven theaters in Orlando to show the movie "Unplanned." It's about the story of former Planned Parenthood clinic director Abby Johnson, who became a pro-life champion.

 We gifted 500 tickets that were snapped up within 24 hours. At the movie's conclusion, we asked the audiences to remain for a couple of minutes while we introduced the directors of 11 pro-life, crisis pregnancy centers that we support.

I am sharing this to encourage others to use whatever tools and influence they have to steer us toward a truly pro-life culture in which all lives are deemed sacred.

The end of Roe is a huge victory we should celebrate. It is also a clarion call to "speak out for those who cannot speak."
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