

If You're Pro-Life, Does That Mean You're Anti-Hamas?

If you're concerned about the murder of babies in the womb, you need to be concerned about the murder of babies after they are born. This past week in Israel we have seen a gruesome evil massacre of over 1,400 people, including men, women and children, in some cases entire families and in some cases, children murdered in front of their parents.

In one of the most grotesque and inhuman acts, it was reported and verified that 40 babies were massacred, some burned alive, some beheaded. This was not just a random act of violence, the evil Islamist Hamas terrorists actually carried with them manuals instructing them how to massacre as many people as possible in the most vile ways.

Forty babies murdered. Burned alive. Beheaded. Let that sink in.

Their families will never recover. Ever.

If all that were not bad enough, Hamas terrorists inflicted other unimaginable and inhuman crimes, including cutting babies out of their mothers' wombs, leaving both the mother and baby to die. In at least one known case, a pregnant woman was executed by Hamas' Islamic terrorists in cold blood, killing her and her baby who was supposed to be safe in its mother's womb. In addition to executing infants and children in cold blood, Hamas terrorists kidnapped and brought many small children hostage to Gaza, one as young as 9 months.

While executing women and babies in cold blood they shouted their mantra, "*Allahu akbar*," "God is great."

Not their god.

Jews have an issue with murdering children. More than 1.5 million children were slaughtered in the Holocaust. It was not just a crime all part of an unspeakable genocide, it was a loss of our future, so much potential. Before the Holocaust there were 18 million Jews in the world. Today there are only 15 million, after 80 years. Had these children lived, they would have built our future. Jews in general and Israel in specific celebrate life. When we say, "Never again," it's not just hollow words.

As much as we stand together to protect all lives, "from the womb to the tomb" must be our mantra. There are many reasons why women have abortions. That's another issue. Yet at least when a woman has an abortion, as immoral as that may be, it's her choice. Maybe she's conflicted over it (hopefully she is) and maybe not.

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But for the women whose babies were beheaded, burned alive and executed in front of them or their families, it was not anyone's choice other than the evil Islamic Hamas terrorists. Their trauma and grief will last the rest of their lives.

Sadly, as much as Hamas strives to and celebrates the massacre of Israeli children, its record against its own children is not much better. Hamas has committed an unprecedented list of war crimes this month. The organization has done this for years, even against the Palestinian Arab children whom it claims to care for and represent. Another long-term, well-documented war crime is how Hamas uses Palestinian Arab children as human shields. Knowing that Israel will not attack areas in which there's a likelihood of civilian casualties, Hamas hides its bunkers and weapons in and under hospitals, mosques, U.N. schools and in highly populated areas.

How many children were patients at the Gaza hospital that was just hit by a stray Islamic Jihad terrorist rocket? How many children were killed at the hands of their own terrorist leaders?

Hamas using its own children as human shields and Israel refraining from attaching terrorists even on their way to carry out a murderous attack are not just words or wartime accusations. There have been countless well-documented incidents of Israel calling off air strikes when there's a risk of civilian casualties.

In one, a video of which I saw personally, a pilot shouted "Abort. Abort," before a strike against a car carrying terrorists on their way to carry out a terrorist attack when two children were spotted nearby. At the risk of not stopping terrorists before they struck, even if that meant killing Israeli children, the air force aborted an attack that would have risked two Palestinian Arab children. This may be the first instance ever where "abort" was actually meant to save a child's life.

In response to these horrors, the Genesis 123 Foundation has launched an Israel Emergency Campaign to provide as much hands-on, tangible and meaningful relief in a human level as possible. We are working to save lives, to rebuild lives—physically, emotionally and spiritually. When you give, you can help to provide for the emotional needs of the families who may never recover from this horror. When you give, you can also send your prayers and love to these families, which we will pass along to them. {eoa}

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