

Planned Parenthood’s “Final Solution” To the Problem of “Unwanted” Children

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[NOTE: On Saturday, August 22, 2015, I spoke at a protest rally in Marietta, Georgia, calling for the de-funding of Planned Parenthood – the largest abortion-provider in America and an organization that receives nearly half-a-billion dollars annually in federal funds. The demonstration was sponsored by a coalition of pro-life groups and included a keynote address by Dr. Alveda King, niece of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.]

I recently returned from Poland where I spoke at a conference for Christian university professors. This was my third trip to Poland in recent years, and each time I go I make it a point to visit Auschwitz concentration camp – the scene of the greatest mass murder in history and the central location for the Nazi’s “Final Solution” to the “Jewish problem” – what we usually refer to as “The Holocaust.” Auschwitz is a grim and ghastly reminder of the consequences of the evil inherent in each and every one of us – an evil that, unless checked by our God-given moral conscience, can manifest itself in ways that we would scarcely imagine.

The Nazis were racists who wanted to rid Europe of “inferior” and “undesirable” ethnic groups – Jews, Gypsies, Slavs, etc. There is no doubt that many of these Nazi executioners were quite sincere in their efforts to rid the planet of what they considered disposable human debris. But whether sincere or merely following orders, the result was the same. What they did was objectively evil.

The worst thing about the Nazi massacres was not that they were motivated by racist sentiments. Throughout human history various tribes, kingdoms, empires and nations have sought to eliminate their enemies for a variety of reasons – political, economic, social, religious, and racial. What is so heinous and despicable is that the Nazis had no regard for the sanctity of life. As a secular and anti-Christian ideology, Nazis had no reverence for God – nor did they think they would ever have to stand before Him and answer for what they had done.

Each Planned Parenthood facility is in effect a mini-Auschwitz. Abortion-on-demand and the harvesting of fetal organs for profit and “scientific research” are practices that Nazis would have supported without reservation. And of course it doesn’t really matter what the motives are of those who are involved in murdering the pre-born. I don’t doubt that some who work in these clinics sincerely believe that they are doing the right thing by providing abortion “services”. They may even rationalize that abortion is the “Final Solution” to the problem of “unwanted” children. Others in the abortion industry, as recent undercover videos have revealed, are obviously in it strictly for the money.

But whether motivated by a perverted sense of sincerity, a matter of personal convenience, or primarily for profit, the effect on the babies and their mothers is the same. It is a fundamental failure to acknowledge that we have no right to play God. We have no right to determine which lives should be allowed to live – especially among “the least of these” – the most innocent and vulnerable members of the human race. Each and every human life is made in the *Imago Dei*, the Image of God, regardless of the conditions surrounding the procreation of that life, and each of us has a moral imperative to protect and defend the most basic civil right of all of God’s children: the inalienable right to life.

As Moses charged the Children of Israel prior to their entry into the Promised Land: “Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. It is not up to heaven... No, the word is very near you; it is in your heart so you may obey it.

“See, I set before you today life and prosperity, or death and destruction....

“This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you, that I have set before you life or death, blessings or curses. Now CHOOSE LIFE, so that you and your children may live, and that you may love the Lord your God...” [Deut. 30:11ff]

Heavenly Father, we come here today, first of all, to thank You for the precious gift of life with which you have blessed us – the opportunity to grow and learn and experience the opportunities and the challenges of this realm of existence. We thank You for our mothers who, in a spirit of true self-sacrificial love, allowed us to be born, and for parents who loved us enough to nurture us through those years in which we were so dependent upon them and their provisions.

We pray for all those who are currently carrying a child, and ask that You strengthen their faith and resolve to CHOOSE LIFE – the greatest gift of all.

We pray for those women who have been exploited and victimized in the past by the abortion industry. In the true spirit of repentance, may they receive the grace, the love, and forgiveness that only You can provide – and bless them with a sense of mission to share Your redeeming love and truth with others who are struggling with self-acceptance due to choices they have made in the past.

We pray for those who work for Planned Parenthood and other abortion clinics – for the doctors, nurses, and staff – and pray that their eyes will be opened to the reality of what they are doing. We pray that You would grant them a profound sense of sorrow and repentance, and that they might join with us in affirming that every life has value and meaning and purpose, and that this horrific holocaust of abortion be ended.

Lastly, we pray for our nation – and we pray for Your mercy, not justice. We pray that the hearts and minds of millions would turn to you and CHOOSE LIFE – not just physical life, but the spiritual life that You provide through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ – in whose name we pray.

Amen.