

How to Make Abortion Unacceptable in our Society is the Real Question for Pro-lifers.

The right to life of the pre-born has always hinged on the question of whether or not the pre-born are fellow human beings i.e., persons. This can be clearly seen in the 1 minute 19 sec recording of the Roe v Wade court proceedings.

More and more folks are saying, "Yes, the preborn are fellow human beings and are entitled to the same right to life as the born." However, as we know, there are still many folks who hold the opinion that the life in the womb is of lesser value than life outside the womb. For them, making abortion illegal through legislation will not change their opinion. It will only push the abortion industry underground.



Abraham Lincoln is credited with saying, "In this age, in this country, public sentiment is everything. With it, nothing can fail; against it, nothing can succeed. Whoever molds public sentiment goes deeper than he who enacts statutes, or pronounces judicial decisions."

Does that mean that we should not pursue pro-life legislation? No, defending life is always right but, along side of legislative efforts, much time needs to be devoted to pro-life education. The idea that life begins at conception is not just an opinion. That life begins at conception is based on biological facts. It is easy to understand why Planned Parenthood will not let a mother who is contemplating an abortion, see the sonogram screen. The mother can plainly see that it is a baby.

What can a church do to make a positive difference concerning Pro-life in their own area? Each church is different in some ways, for example, size. However, there are things that every church can do in the area of pro-life education:

- Support the local crisis pregnancy center—Where is the closest center and who is the director? It is an evangelistic arm of the local church. What are their needs?
- Invite the director of the Crisis Pregnancy Center to speak at church functions such as a Missions Conference.
- How about High School and Junior High classes? Scott Klusendorf from <u>Life Training Institute</u> has speakers available to train our youth to defend their pro-life beliefs. Find several videos at https://prolifetraining.com/media/lti-videos/
- Start a Salt and Light group. This could be as little as one person although a team is better. They put together nonpartisan voting information at both the primaries and the general election, which identifies the candidates who support pro-life. Are we one issue voters? Absolutely not but a candidate who is pro-life most often is also good on all the other issues such as the Second Amendment, less government regulations, free-market business solutions, balanced budgets, etc.
- Have a pro-life table. In a small church, this can be done perhaps once a month while a larger church can easily have a table
 every week. The Salt and Light team are the ones to head this up. A lot of folks use Heritage House 76 as a great pro-life
 resource center. http://www.hh76.org/

The Commission of the Church: ESV Matthew 24: ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

As we make disciples (evangelize) and teach those converts how to live the Christian life, surely, respect for life and the defense of life should be paramount.

If public opinion is changed, through pro-life education, so that abortion becomes unacceptable, pro-life voting will follow and abortion will become illegal.

