

Four Fallacies of the Colorado Human Life Amendment

The Four Major Fallacies of the Colorado *Personhood Amendment* are: 1. faith in voting 2. faith in the voters 3. faith in precise definitions 4. faith in The Law. These fallacies are typical of and rooted in that Secular Christian faith which is epidemic among the so-called *Christians* of America. It is the faith of the American Cult, derived from the faith in the *Christian Empire* that began with Constantine and Augustine. It is the faith that we can establish a truly Christian society while we continue to pursue wealth and political power just like our pagan neighbors.

We have all been brainwashed to believe that **voting is a significant moral act**. Secular Christians have to believe it. They have to believe that a one fingered anonymous effort once every two years fulfills their Christian Duty to God and Country. God will take care of the rest. The Government will do the rest. Protestants scoff at the great faith that Catholics put in ceremonies. Then they put great faith in a ceremony designed by the devil to put sacred things into the hands of profane and immoral people. The objection is not to voting against a brothel. The objection is to participating in an election which lets the owners of the brothel and the customers of the brothel participate on an equal footing. Their vote negates yours. The objection is to making a one fingered effort and then shrugging off the fact that the brothel is still there. The objection is to the false faith that we can build a moral society without risk or work or struggle or sacrifice, that anonymous voting offers us a safe and easy way to get there. The broad road will take us where we want to go.

faith in *the people*

Faith in the voters grows out of that faith in The American People which is central to the American Cult. Faith in **The People**, which is the essence of *Humanism*, divided by faith in America--faith in Us--produces that faith in the American People which leads us by a sickly kind of logic to faith in the voters of Colorado. All those pleasure seekers who have moved to Colorado for the lifestyle of the ski resorts will somehow discover that they are after all moral people when they find themselves voting on a measure which is aimed squarely at their *apre ski* life style. That would be the logic of this anti abortion measure if it had any logic behind it.

The **faith in precise definitions** was characteristic of that Worldly Church which became the Emperor Constantine's house cat. Corrupt bishops took time off from chasing boys or girls around the episcopal palace to attend councils where they energetically argued for precise definitions of the Christian faith. Backed by the armies of rival emperors they excommunicated one another for the difference between *homoousian* versus *homoiousian*.

Behind this initiative is that apostate church which substituted dogmatic definitions of Christian faith for the faith and morals they had abandoned. So a precise intellectual

definition which says that *human life begins at fertilization* will put an end to abortion. A moral and spiritual revolution will be launched by this **definition of personhood**.

If it is put into **The Law**. If the emperor adopts it. If the Sovereign People of the American Empire are somehow tricked into going along with it. They will all go skiing and forget to vote against it. Once installed in that Sacred Document, The Constitution of the State of Colorado, it will find its way into that Even More Sacred Document, The Constitution of the United States of America. And then, as the bells ring out, abortion will be abolished from America. That is the Great Vision--the Large Illusion--that drives these people, which distracts them from serious pro life work and into another great waste of time, money and energy.

That is the False Faith of the American Cult, which teaches people to believe that Christian morality can be established or re-established within the framework of American Law and Politics, within the possibilities of democratic majorities allowed to decide basic moral questions by voting. *All you have to do is vote ! It is safe ! It is easy ! It is Easy Jesus and Instant Salvation !*

Now that Dr. James Dobson has endorsed this initiative we can be sure that it is doomed. Ever since he was *promoted to the level of his incompetence*, by turning political activist, he has whiffed on every one of his endorsements. If he supports it, you know it is going down. He has written some wonderfully wise books about family life. And he should stick with that. He isn't worldly and cynical enough for politics. Like other secular Christians, he confuses it with morality.

I don't pretend to prophecy but I predict that this initiative will fail. Have I no faith in God ? I have no faith that God will rig the election. If we were in Chicago and the Democratic Party machine were behind this initiative, it might very well pass, however the vote went. They do rig elections and they are good at it. But, in my experience, God has no interest in rigging elections.

This initiative only distracts people from what they could and should be doing to stop abortion--to find the real alternatives to an aborted America. The false hopes raised by this initiative will lead to a false and foolish despair while it drains the resources necessary for a sustained and serious anti abortion movement. That is the downside of all these legal initiatives and political campaigns which serve the interests of the promoters and which do not serve the pro life movement. They are born of vanity and they pretend to be promoting the pro life cause while they use it to further their own ambitions and shore up their bank accounts. There is a fundamental and pervasive moral corruption and spiritual emptiness in what pretends to be a pro life movement. That is the basic reason for its chronic failure.

faith in lawyers and loopholes

The argument for a **legal declaration of personhood** relies upon a statement in the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision in which Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun said that *If this*

declaration of personhood is established . . . the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed. And a 1974 statement by Cardinal Medeiros advocating a constitutional declaration that *the unborn child is a human person.* So here is that **magic legal loophole** through which we can escape from an aborted America. This is **the answer** to abortion the backers declare--when talking to those who oppose abortion. Then they avoid discussing the subject of abortion to try and pick up other votes. It's **the answer**, but only if the voters agree.

Justice Blackmun wrote the majority pro abortion opinion in *Roe v. Wade* and he was disposing of the argument that the word *person* in the 14th Amendment means pre born persons. It only means postnatal persons he argued. A recent columnist points out that Blackmun overlooked Supreme Court decisions in which corporations were defined as *legal persons* under the 14th amendment. *A corporation is a person, no matter how large.*

But these legal quibbles are useless. They can prove to you that the IRS does not have the right to collect taxes. They can prove to you that you don't have to take off your hat in court because the judge is not carrying a bible. Both the Korean War and the Vietnam War were illegal, according to the Constitution, because there was no Declaration of War by Congress. What is the use of telling that to all those who were killed in those wars ? People grasp at legal straws and become obsessed with legalities and are quite blind to the moral and political realities which mandate abortion.

We have legal abortion because the American People want to have legal abortion. We have it because most of those who pretend to oppose abortion only use it as an issue to launch political careers, build organizations and raise money. We have it because the first priority of those who pretend to be pro life is to hang onto the wealth and power and privilege of the American Empire. They will argue legal quibbles all day but they are never serious about fighting for the Kingdom. We have abortion because people have been brainwashed to believe that they do their Christian duty by deploying one finger once every two years in God's Cause. These legal initiatives assure them that they are right to believe it.

humans and sub humans

Professor Rice argues that *the denial of personhood* was the foundation for what the Nazis did to the Jews. That confuses cause with effect. We don't kill people because of an intellectual or legal error which prevents us from perceiving that they are human persons. Rather, to make it easier to kill them, we **de-humanize** them. American soldiers did not indiscriminately slaughter Filipinos and Koreans and Vietnamese because they erroneously believed them to be subhumans. Rather, they classified them as *gooks slants* and *slopes* because it was their job to kill them.

The systematic bombing of cities in World War II killed and crippled a million in Germany and a million in Japan. Meanwhile, President Roosevelt declared that *we mean no harm to the common people of Germany.* I suppose that can be taken as a

declaration that they were *persons*. But that didn't stop the bombing. Today, most Americans would affirm that the Japanese are persons. Contrary to World War II vintage movies which show them as subhuman. And contrary to a sustained bombing and napalming of Japanese civilians which killed and crippled half a million even **before** the atomic bombs were dropped. Our enemies in war time are invariably *de-humanized*.

Embryo children are de-humanized because it is financially necessary for Americans to get rid of them. No one involved with abortion really believes that they are only dealing with *fetal tissue*. Or rather, they do believe it because they have to believe something of the sort.

Persons and Non Persons and 3/5ths of Persons

We understand it better by looking at American history. Those dozens of smart lawyers assembled in Philadelphia arrived at the conclusion that a negro slave was *3/5ths of a person*. And they wrote it into the American Constitution--that Sacred Document which is the Charter of the American Cult. The Founding Slave Owners of Virginia classified negro slaves as disposable **property**. For that reason, they could not be persons. But, since they wanted more representation in Congress than the free white population of the South could justify, they had to count negro slaves as population, more or less, even though they could not be acknowledged as persons. Today, an *unwanted pregnancy* is disposable **property** for the same sort of compelling financial reasons.

Actually slaves often had better protection when they were classified as valuable property than when they became an under class of disenfranchised citizens in America. If the law was changed to make babies property which could be freely sold, they would be worth \$ 50,000 to their owners and less likely to be put in the trash by abortion.

Why do we need this concept of **personhood** ? Why were Blackmun and the other Supreme Court Justices--all those smart lawyers--unable to recognize that: 1. a *pregnant* woman has a **baby in her tummy** 2. it is **wrong to kill babies** 3. **abortion does kill babies**. To be sure, this information would have to be translated into legalese before judges could understand it. But why don't the voters understand it ? Why don't the American people already understand it ? Because they don't want to understand it. They don't believe it because they can't afford to believe it.

In 1962 Planned Parenthood literature stated that *AN ABORTION KILLS THE LIFE OF A BABY AFTER IT HAS BEGUN*. Somehow, they already knew what the Supreme Court couldn't figure out 10 years later.

After they got into the abortion business, PP began teaching its customers to believe that it is just *fetal tissue* or *2 tablespoons of fluid*. Never mind *personhood*, none of them know that abortion has anything to do with *babies*. Because they don't want to know it.

Kids killed by American war planes are not *persons*. They are *collateral damage*. It would not be hard to prove that the thousands of civilians killed in Iraq and Afghanistan

by American ordinance are, in theory at least, *persons*. But, if they get in the way of necessary military operations, that isn't going to do them any good. the response of war supporters is *what can you do ? war is hell !* It is essentially similar to the response of Planned Parenthood to the argument that **abortion kills a baby**: *These abortions are necessary*. Does human life begin at fertilization in all those places where American war planes are flying ? No, of course not. Not if they are necessary targets.

The 1941 *Baltimore Catechism*, # 655 says: *An unborn child has the same right to life as any other human being*. That seems like it should settle the matter for Catholics at least. So why are they showing up at the abortuaries just like the Protestants ? Why do they vote for *pro choice Catholics* like Joe Biden and Nancy Pelosi ? And, if they don't believe the *Catechism*, why should they put any faith in an amendment to the Colorado Constitution ? What authority does it have ? How much respect did they ever give to the Prohibition Amendment ? They drank a toast to it at the nearest *speakeasy*. We don't need Amendments. We need Commandments and obedience to Commandments. It is not up to the voters to decide whether *Thou Shalt Not Kill* is still the Law.

When does death begin ? Does anyone know ?

Recently, Senator Barrack Obama, the Democratic nominee for President, said that he could not answer the question as to when human life begins, that it was *above my pay grade*. When his wife was *expecting*, he had no idea what was going on. His Harvard Law School degree left him **CLUE-LESS IN CHICAGO**. Why don't Law Schools add a *Facts of Life I* course which would teach their students what concepts like *pregnant* and *baby* mean ? House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a modern *Catholic*, said she doesn't know either, because Catholic theologians have differed on that question. You can find an opinion in Augustine that life begins at *quickening*. And nothing new has been learned in 1600 years. Or, if it has been, they forgot to tell Nancy.

But it is a serious mistake to let that question distract us from the question: **when does human life END ?** You don't have to be a theologian or a biologist to recognize that **life is ended by abortion**, just as surely as it is ended by war. cf. *life begins at conception and ends at Planned Parenthood*. Whatever specious arguments can be constructed against the first part of that statement, the second part is undeniably true, as Planned Parenthood itself admitted back in 1962 when it could still afford to tell the truth about it.

Surgical abortions are not performed until 8 weeks gestation. Even the newer chemical abortions are not performed until after 6 weeks gestation. By which time the developing embryo looks very much like a tiny human. Since she is growing inside a human mother, what else can she be except A. *human* B. *alive* ? Does that not equal *Human Life* ? Perhaps it is too subtle for lawyers who went to Harvard Law School. Or maybe they read that check out stand tabloid which claimed that a human mother was pregnant with a chimpanzee. If so, the animal rights activists can join the human rights activists in preventing a **life-ending abortion**. The carnival would pay a bundle for that baby.

Today, thanks to *ultrasound* and *fiber optic photography*, we have no excuse for not knowing that a baby in the womb looks suspiciously like a baby. Whether she is a citizen or whether you can prove that she has a *soul*, she is unmistakably a live human. That is why the necessary first step in any abortion is to kill her, either with surgical instruments or with the RU 486 baby poison. Look at the Lennart Nillson *fiber optic photographs* of *THE FIRST NINE MONTHS* elsewhere on this website. Even if you don't know and / or refuse to know *when* this life began, there is no excuse whatever for not knowing that **this life has already begun**, just as the 1962 Planned Parenthood literature states. Whatever theologian they consulted, they got it right.

Even though these ways of looking at babies in the womb are new, there was never any excuse for not knowing that a pregnant woman does in fact have a baby in her tummy. Sixty years ago there was an exhibit at the Natural History Museum of miscarried fetuses at every stage of growth and development preserved in jars by the medical school. A fellow I picketed with became pro life when he was forced to handle his wife's miscarriage and found himself holding in his hand the tiny, still-born body of his infant son. We don't need theologians or biologists or Doctors of Law to tell us what the dumbest teenager out there already knows: **bulge in the belly means baby on the way !** Abortion means **the cold blooded murder** of that baby ! We do not need any more learned articles by Ph. D.s proving what everybody already knows. What we need is to confront the moral and spiritual question as to why we kill babies and how we can stop it. The challenge we face is NOT an intellectual challenge and it is NOT a legal challenge and these learned phonies are **NO USE WHATEVER** to us if they do not have the Courage which comes from the Spirit to Bear Witness to the simple Truth out there where people don't want to hear it.

Why don't people believe it when they are told that: *abortion kills a baby. ? ? ?* Because what pretends to be a pro life movement shows by its behavior that it does not really believe it either. It says that **abortion is murder !** and then acts like abortion is a political issue which can be used to raise money, promote organizations and further political ambitions. We don't need to say it any better or recruit Ph.D.s to say it for us. We do need to act as if we believed what we say we believe.

The Law of Hypocrisy

When abortion was outlawed in the United States, abortion was common in the United States. There were an estimated 100,000 *illegal* abortions a year in California when Governor Ronald Reagan *reluctantly* signed the California Abortion bill into law in June of 1967. Abortion is outlawed in South America. Abortion is common in South America. The Philippines have a *Human Life Amendment* written into the Constitution. The Philippines have a **higher rate of abortion** than the United States. Conclusion: since abortion has been legal and common in the United States for 40 years, even if there were an Anti Abortion Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, it would be ignored, just as Prohibition was ignored. Conclusion 2: the attempt to pass such an Amendment only wastes the time, money and energy of the Pro Life Movement and perpetuates the false

faith of those who persist in believing that there Must be a Legal Answer to Abortion. We are never going to stop abortion until we get rid of this false faith. That false faith is a major cause of abortion. It assures people: *we don't have to change the way we live, we only have to change the law. And power games are fun !* Repentance isn't fun.

The obsession of Secular Christians with what The Law says is joined to an indifference as to the actual evils of society. They don't really care whether prostitution goes on and they don't care about the economic forces that push women into prostitution so long as it is still against the law and kept out of sight. Their real desire is to restore that *whited sepulchre* veneer of righteousness which allows ladies and gentlemen to come to Church in their Sunday clothes without having to step over the scandal and disgrace of legal abortion and prostitution right out in the open where it can't be ignored.

Most of what pretends to be a *pro life movement* is stuck in this old pattern of legal and political contests **to restore the old hypocrisy**. So they have no motive to dig deeper into **the roots of abortion** and to try to understand better why a society which pretends to be *Christian* is so very, very far from home.

incrementalism or pure politics ?

About 20 years ago I attended a meeting of Citizens for Responsible Government and heard a run down on opinion polls which showed that 84 per cent of the voters favor *parental notification* for underage abortion customers--with *judicial bypass* of course; 76 per cent favor *parental permission*; 65 per cent--or some such figure--favor *informed consent*, and there were other figures for other limitations on abortion. And that dictated the strategy of the pro life groups who were trying to do something about abortion via conventional politics. After 20 years they finally managed to get the Supreme Court to allow the Ban on Partial Birth Abortion. [See my comment on that *Supreme Court Decision*.] The **pure politics** group argues that these initiatives are fundamentally wicked and they are right. When you wind up saying in effect: *first do this: then you may kill the baby* you have abandoned your moral position against abortion. And that is what engaging in conventional politics does to you.

Obviously these *incremental* measures are a fundamental betrayal of the unborn, even if the claims made for them were not specious--which they are. The people who push them should have sense enough to see that they are useless, even if there was any moral validity to their *the end justifies the means* principle. They are useful for keeping these pseudo *pro life* organizations in funds, that is their only real use. They keep them from having to admit to themselves and others that they have **No Answer to Abortion**. They keep people from having to recognize that we have lost the abortion battle. Or rather, forfeited the contest by refusing to engage in battle, by voting instead. Voting and shrugging and pretending to have done something.

But the trouble with **pure politics** is that there is no such thing. It requires a pure electorate which does not exist. A 100 per cent pro life candidate like Alan Keyes has no chance of winning. His doomed bid for the U.S. Senate only succeeded in launching the

national career of his opponent, Mr. Obama. Yes, he raised the *pro life* issue. And tied it to his own ambition. And took it down to defeat. The defeated knight takes **the right** down with him. Mr. Keyes has missed his calling. He is a wonderful preacher. As a politician he is no use to anyone. All he does is raise false hopes. We already have too many of those.

Pure faith and morals are desperately wanted in the church. A church where the members are not allowed to vote on faith and morals. When you allow that and when you allow anyone from the neighborhood to come in and vote, it is entirely predictable that your original faith and morals will soon be gone. And these **pure politics** organizations are playing the same game as the **incrementalist** organizations: raise false hopes, fool the simpletons, collect funds, pretend to be doing something. They have an answer to abortion which depends upon winning a popular majority for an unpopular position. That is, they have **No Answer** either.

The 100 per cent anti abortion initiative which was defeated by the voters of South Dakota in November 2006 presents a basically similar case. What both of these cases prove is that **pure politics is an illusion**. It is a false faith which is rooted in the false faith of the American Cult--*America is a Christian Country . . . [No, it is not !] A Moral Majority can be found among the American People [No, it cannot !]*

[November 5th 2008 the new South Dakota initiative for an anti abortion law has been defeated again, and almost by the same margin as before, even though it was modified with exceptions for rape, incest, mother's life and mother's health.]

There is a similar denial of reality in the assumption that American Negroes have a high rate of abortion because Planned Parenthood has somehow misled them. Something Margaret Sanger wrote 70 years ago is the reason for black abortions today. The reason for black abortions is the same as the reason for white abortions. When the pastor drives up in his expensive car wearing an expensive suit, he is modeling the lifestyle which his congregation must copy. And Planned Parenthood will help them do it: *more money, fewer kids*. The reason is just this: *the love of money is the root of all evil*. That love of money is epidemic in America and most of those who pretend to be *pro life* are infected by it. They tell themselves: I like having money but I must have political power as well ! How else can I end abortion ?

Confrontation versus Education

The other major force which drives both **incremental politics** and **pure politics** is that morally sick obsession with the spotlight of national attention which pushes so many people into so many follies. *Fools' names and fools' faces always appear in public places*. There is an un-Christian vanity which drives people to try and validate their sense of self importance by running for political office or launching legal initiatives. Like moths around the street light, they cannot resist hotly pursuing the media spotlight. The *love of fame* drives them to seek 3 seconds worth of getting your mug on television regardless of the cost. So they continue to play politics and beg for media attention and

neglect all the things that can and should be done to stop abortion. The work we must do to reconstruct a Christian society requires the steady light of the spirit, not the fickle spotlight of the media.

What pretends to be pro life activity centers around political confrontation while education is entirely neglected or else subordinated to that pursuit of power which is the real reason for the political confrontation. Instead of confronting abortion to try and stop the abortion, they confront those who have political clout so as to score off them. The demon of desire for power lurks behind these self-righteous poses which are struck for the media. We would be light years ahead of where we are now if people who pretend to be pro life would carry out the elementary task of handing out pro life literature person to person--literature which is not tied to anybody's power trip.

The defeat of the pro life movement is due to the cowardice and conformity of the vast majority of nominally pro life Christians and it is due to the un Christian ambition of those who at least are not afraid to get out there and do something. But what they are willing to do is driven off course because it serves their ambitions, not the lives of the preborn children. Like all politicians, they pretend to care about the lives of others to conceal what they really do care about--their own careers. Organizational chauvinism and careerism are the sure signs of what they are really up to behind a veneer of altruism. The pursuit of power is driven by a dangerous demon who is a master of disguise. Behind the facade of a noble crusade lurks that **love of power** which, like its first cousin **the love of money**, is *the root of all evil*.

No doubt Dr. James Dobson has compromised the pledge he once made by his support for John McCain. So now the **pure politics sect** is going after Dobson. Instead of educating abortion bound women by handing them pro life literature, they want to confront someone who *supports* someone who has *voted* the wrong way on abortion bills. Like the other political pro lifers, they are now at about three removes from actually confronting the evil of abortion. To be sure, there is little glamour and less glory in handing out pro life literature. All it accomplishes is that you sometimes save the life of a baby by doing it. There is no political mileage in it. It doesn't provide much of an excuse for soliciting donations. The media ignores it. But God does not ignore it.

Neither does he ignore the hypocrisy of those who pretend to care about the lives of unborn children while they show by their actions that they really don't care about it, that it is far down the list of what they do care about. They may fool the foolish--they usually do--and they may fool themselves. There is obviously a large measure of self deception involved. But they don't fool God and it will catch up to them that they have in effect taken his name in vain by pretending to be serving a good cause--rescuing babies from abortion--while they were really serving a bad cause--furthering their own vain and foolish ambitions.

There was a time when Randall Terry and Father Norman Weslin led *rescues* at abortuaries. Now they get arrested for nothing at the Democratic National Convention

because all the media is there. They gave up *rescuing* a long time ago. Randall Terry sold his birth right for **a mess of pottage**--for a vain and foolish attempt at a political career. There was a time when Bob Enyart confronted abortion at the abortuary. Now he confronts Focus on the Family. So these fellows get themselves arrested for nothing. Rather, they get themselves arrested for the sake of making the media. There is a demon which drives this kind of behavior. I saw it destroy the Civil Rights movement. It is well on its way to destroying the pro life movement. Those who encourage it and go along with it are the enemies of the unborn children. They are complicit with abortion.

The worst enemy of the unborn children is not Planned Parenthood and the worst enemy of the unborn children is not the Democratic Party. The worst enemies of the unborn children are the phony Christians and the phony pro-lifers--nearly all of them--who pretend to care and who pretend to be doing something when they have in fact turned away from any serious effort to stop abortion. They should have sense enough to realize that the judgment which is coming upon them, in this life and in the next, will be as heavy as any one in the abortion industry will have to face. They are the worst enemies of the unborn children and they are the worst enemies of anyone who is serious about stopping abortion. They are false brethren who betray us. We will begin to have a serious pro life movement when we part company with them.

The Voters of Colorado

American settlers occupied the land that once belonged to the natives, while reducing their population to a 10th of what it was originally. A militiaman who participated in the *Bad Axe* slaughter of the Sauk Indians in 1832 justified shooting an Indian baby by saying: *Kill the nits, and you'll have no lice*. Colonel Chivington was cheered on the streets of Denver when he arrived back home after the **Sand Creek Massacre**. His soldiers brought back scalps--male and female. Like the unwanted embryo children of today, the natives were in the way of American progress and prosperity so they had to go. The descendants of those settlers and soldiers are the voters the sponsors of this initiative are counting on to pass the *Human Life Amendment*. That is how silly the whole thing is.

Can we believe in the State of Colorado ? Should we believe in the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of the State of Colorado ? In the **GODLINESS** of the People of Colorado, in the moral character of **The Voters** of Colorado ? If so, it makes sense to let them vote on **The Personhood Amendment**. Otherwise, it doesn't. Would you buy a used car from a man you know to be less than honest ? Someone you know has sold lemons to other people in times past ? *No ?* Have you No Faith in God ? *Yes, you reply, but I don't have much faith in this fellow*. Having faith in the Voters of Colorado, who were the first to allow legal abortion back in 1967, makes as much sense as putting your faith in used car dealers.

I have faith in a God who lets me learn from my mistakes. Who expects me to use the common sense he gave me to avoid poisonous snakes and crooked used car salesmen. And putting any faith in the Voters of the State of Colorado. Who go along with the daily

poisoning of babies with RU-486. So I do not believe he wants me to Trust those who have proven that they are **not to be trusted**. Does that not describe the Voters of the State of Colorado ?

Did they not go along back in 1967, when the Republican Legislature and the Republican Governor passed the nation's first liberal abortion law ? They could have Marched on the Capitol. They Didn't. They could have Voted those Pro Abortion Rascals Out of Office at the Next Election. They Didn't. They didn't because those pro abortion rascals did what most of the Voters wanted them to do.

Have they since repented ? They did not. They have done similar things many times since. When the vote was up to them, they voted the same way. But maybe no one ever explained to them that *Abortion is Wrong Because It Kills a Baby*. Yes, we did. And they already knew it. Except that they did not want to know it. But maybe they have never been exposed to a Sophisticated and Wonderful New Concept like *THE PERSONHOOD OF THE FERTILIZED OVUM*. Is that it ? They have gone on all these years, all these 40 years, dumping their unwanted babies in the dumpster, because no one ever offered them this sophisticated concept ?

Instead people just bothered them with unsophisticated things they did not want to hear like: *Abortion kills babies. If you are pregnant, it means you are carrying a baby*. So, now, they will all rally round this Sophisticated Concept. Or Will They ? If you have arrived at the place where Your Faith in God is tied to a Faith in the Voters of the State of Colorado, you may as well join one of these snake-handling cults. Or bring a few snakes to the service you already attend. Or begin a serious re-examination of just what *god* you believe in.

It is obvious to anyone with any political common sense that the voters of the state of Colorado are even more pro abortion today than they were 40 years ago. This initiative was born of a false faith, a Secular Christian faith, joined to a complete absence of political common sense. The one produces the other.

There is no shame in standing up for what is right and being defeated--if you don't take the right down with you. That is what you do when you fight the battle in the wrong way and on the wrong battle ground. When you fight in the flesh. When The Cause gets mixed up with Your Cause. When you wage a battle that has to be fought mainly with money. Which is what politics is all about.

Letting morals be decided by voting is like letting faith be decided by flipping a coin. *Is Jesus God ?* Heads he is, tails he isn't. *Tails*. So Jesus is not God. But, wait a minute--best two out of three ? When two knights joust to Decide the Right, what is really decided ? Which one is the best fighter maybe. Or which one is the best cheater. Or who can afford the best horse. God has nothing to do with it. But that is the false faith of the secular Christian. And that is how we got into this deep moral and spiritual pit.

There is a lot of rhetoric out there about *fighting the battle*. There are different ways of *fighting*, and, as Jesus and Paul show us, we must put down carnal weapons and fight with the weapons of the spirit. But *voting* is no kind of fighting at all. It is an excuse for not fighting. It is the way by which pseudo Christians chicken out on the battle. What sort of a *fight* is it when you hide behind a curtain and avoid any risk? There really is no such thing as a cowardly Christian. If you are a coward, you cannot call yourself a Christian. Although that has in fact become the most common form of what pretends to be *Christianity*. There is no way you can be a Christian if you do not have the Spirit of Courage. Those pastors who deceive themselves and their congregations into believing that Jesus likes cowards are headed for a judgment day that should inspire real fear.

the love of money

The cause of abortion in American society **is not** some legal fluke in the 1973 *Roe versus Wade* decision which can be bypassed through some legal loop hole in that decision. There has long been a basic **moral** and **spiritual** malaise in American society and it is deeply rooted in what pretends to be the Christian Church. *The love of money is the root of all evil*. It isn't going to go away by people voting for *personhood*--while allowing others to vote against it. Whether or not they are *persons* and whether or not they are *babies*, they are not going to be safe from abortion in a society which loves money and which drives right over anyone who gets in the way. That is what we have to begin to deal with.

In a society in which everyone pursues *wealth*, Careers for Women is a major road to wealth and it requires the contraception and abortion services provided by Planned Parenthood. In a society which devoutly believes in wealth without work via *investing*, an abortion is the best investment there is. That \$ 500 abortion will protect the \$ 500,000 invested in a woman's education and enable her to earn twice that over 20 years. How is a woman going to get through Law School and get launched on a legal career without contraception backed by abortion? Do we really expect her to remain a virgin until she is 35 years old?

The fundamental cause of abortion is not *Roe versus Wade*. The cause is the false faith of the Secular Christians, the false faith of the American Cult. Which leads them to believe that abortion can be ended by conventional politics within the structure of American Law and American pseudo *Christian* society. Because they are fake Christians themselves, they cannot see that the fundamental cause of abortion in American Society is the lifestyle of the Secular Christians and their refusal to make a serious attempt to live the Christian life.

a dime in the collection plate

Putting a dime in the collection plate is all right for children, but it is not all right for adults to play at meeting serious moral obligations. It is more truthful to put nothing in, because it forces you to recognize that you are doing nothing, that you are neglecting your

Christian duty. Voting for Christian morality is the equivalent of putting a dime in the collection plate--once every two years.

Real Christians Vote: a) with their feet, not their fingers b) every day, not once every 2 years c) right out in the open, instead of ducking behind a curtain. Real Christians need not be disheartened by the defeat of this foolish and immoral initiative. It will push at least some of those secular Christians to abandon their false faith. Which is a first step in the right direction. Which is the beginning of wisdom.

Worldly Christians depend upon the State to establish Christian morality. In a democratic state, they must leave it up to the voters, and hope they will take care of it. They must pray that the phantom *moral majority* will somehow appear. They have to believe in this phantom because they no longer know where to find the Spirit.

The Truth is as precious as the life of a baby. Leaving **the truth** at the mercy of the voters, and hoping that they will respect it, is like leaving the baby in the street and hoping she won't get hit. It is casting your pearls before swine and hoping they don't get trampled.

Real Christians depend upon the Spirit of Courage which enables them to Bear Witness to the Truth. They depend upon Christian Action, that is, they imitate the Acts of the Apostles. That is the way that Jesus showed us. That is the only path to a Christian society. It is the only realistic alternative to an aborted America.

Terry Sullivan September 2008

Kristi Burton on TV

The Marginal Media--the only media which doesn't just ignore the pro life movement--has now featured Kristi Burton, the spokeswoman for Amendment 48. She appeared on Channel 12 in a half hour debate format and then on the front page of the September 25th issue of *Westword*.

Miss Burton is an attractive young woman and an effective advocate. And she must have gotten an *A plus* in the course which all fledgling lawyers and politicians must pass: **101 Ways to Avoid Telling the Truth**. She did a remarkable job of Stonewalling With a Smile such questions as: *Won't this Amendment Ban All Abortions ? Won't it outlaw methods of contraception like the IUD ?*

She is ready for national politics. Like Senator John McCain and his wife Cindy, who appeared together last week on ABC, in a joint interview from an Ohio cornfield. Somehow they managed to sidestep in tandem the question as to whether they would try to overturn *Roe versus Wade*. There must be a prize for this kind of *Political Dancing*. Then, as usual, the subject was not even mentioned in the McCain-Obama presidential

debate. In the debate between Joe Biden and Sarah Palin he *pointed with pride* to his support of *Roe versus Wade* while she ignored the subject and said nothing at all about the anomaly of someone who calls himself a *Catholic* going along with abortion.

You can see why Miss Burton is the only spokesperson for this Amendment. No one else could handle those questions the way she does. The usual Caveman or Cave Woman pro lifer would give dumb answers to those questions: *Uh, Yeah ! Banning All Abortions is the reason for this Amendment !* They couldn't even imagine the sophistication of Miss Burton's answers, much less pull it off.

Which points up the difference between *Bearing Witness to the Truth*, to which Christians are called, and the art of **wrapping the truth in a bundle which can't be untied**, to which politicians and lawyers and real estate salesmen are called. Hang on to your *talking points* then change the subject. That is how you wind up bearing witness to quarter truths and one eighth truths in forums like Channel 12, just ahead of *Gay and Lesbian Hour*, and forums like *Westword*, just ahead of the ads for male and female prostitutes.

But supposedly The End Justifies the Means. We have to be as sneaky as serpents. So the Secular Christians believe. They could not survive without that doctrine. So it will all be justified when Amendment 48 passes, with the votes of Channel 12 viewers and *Westword* readers who have had the wool pulled over their eyes by the charming Miss Burton.

Except that it won't happen. And she will have degraded herself and the pro life cause for nothing. Will have given Planned Parenthood another triumph. I hope for her sake and the sake of the pro life movement that she learns the right lesson from this un Christian attempt to establish Christian truth and morality via pagan politics.

I can imagine a real pro life effort in the state of Colorado, one in which everyone who is serious about pro life would hand out graphic pro life literature, would testify simply and unequivocally to the truth that *abortion is murder*. In which people would begin to seriously seek out alternatives to that affluent American life style which is built upon a foundation of contraception and abortion.

But Secular Christians will never make such an effort while they believe that they can follow the road which leads to wealth and political power without departing from the path of Christian Truth. While they rely upon worldly power to achieve spiritual goals: *We will collect more money and more petition signatures and more votes than they will. We will defeat them by the power of the Moral Majority !*

The Impurities of Pure Politics

Amendment 48 is supposedly an example of the new pure and uncompromised pro life politics which has discarded the old morally compromised politics of trying to pass incremental restrictions on legal abortion. So why have we arrived at exactly the same

place--a strategy which has to avoid saying anything against abortion ? A strategy which has to discard Christian Witness on the way to political victory--to a dim and desperate hope of political victory ?

Years ago, when some of our group volunteered for one of these initiatives, they were asked not to wear **ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN** badges when working at the booth for this initiative. Because they wanted to attract **pro choice** voters who might agree with them about *informed consent* or *notify your mother*. It is well said that *Truth is the First Casualty in War*. It is equally true that **Truth has no place in politics**.

So now we are right back there again. This amendment is presented to pro life Christians as a ban on abortion. Then it is presented to the general public as having an entirely different rationale.

It is hard enough to bear witness to the truth and to live up to Christian truth if you go at it in the simplest and most direct way. When you start trying to fool others you only wind up fooling yourself. You wind up being fooled by the devil. That is where this Amendment will take us if it takes us any where at all. It will take all the secular Christian simpletons for another short ride back to the same old failure and futility. Thanks to some smart people who put their minds at the service of the Father of Foolishness, the Father of Lies.

It is no use pretending to yourself and others that you are operating in the power of the Spirit, when you begin substituting evasions and sophistry for the Truth about Abortion. The Spirit is The Spirit of Truth. He gives us the Courage to Bear Witness to the Truth. When you stop doing that, you are on the wrong road. Following that wrong road is how we got into this deep ditch in the first place. And we aren't going to get out of it until we learn to follow the Spirit of Truth.

Miss Burton may have a bright future in politics, as the *Westword* article suggests, but the Spirit of Truth has No Future in Politics. That has been proven over and over for those who have the eyes to see it, and Miss Burton's performance illustrates it once more. Look at what a peculiar position it puts us in--the representative of Planned Parenthood tells the truth about Amendment 48 while Miss Burton avoids telling the truth. Her performance tacitly recognizes that the chances of passing this Amendment are diminished if people tell the truth about it. The Road to Political Success always diverges from the Path of Truth. Meanwhile, the simpleton *Christians* are out there promoting it as a ban on all abortions. So their argument undermines the arguments that Miss Burton is making.

Miss Burton's arguments are not just evasive, they are false. Like the one which says that our knowledge of fetal growth and development has fundamentally changed since *Roe v Wade* was decided. Back in 1973, we were all too dumb to know that *abortion kills a baby*. Even a losing campaign for a compromised initiative may have some educational value if it confronts people with the reality of abortion. Instead people are given this peculiar argument that The Law Needs Fixing and that it has to be Fixed From the Outside by Amateurs--all those lawyers on the public pay roll can't take care of it. Any

one with any sense recognizes that this is just propaganda cover for an amendment which is about abortion if it is about anything.

Who is fooled by this ? What sort of *Christians* rely upon fooling people instead of telling them the Truth ? It isn't just the truth about Amendment 48 which needs to be told. The truth which needs to be told is the truth about aborted America, the truth about how deeply the willful destruction of human life is rooted in American society. [See *The Roots of Abortion*] How deeply it is rooted in the moneyed up American lifestyle to which so many so-called *Christians* cling.

Where does this notion come from that you can best serve the cause of the embryo children by shoving the truth out of sight ? That strategy belongs to the Father of Lies. When you abandon the truth, the Spirit of Truth abandons you. Even if some temporary success is achieved by such a strategy, in the long run it can only bring spiritual and moral failure. The abortion industry cannot tell the truth about abortion. Neither can those nominal *pro lifers* who pursue political success.

Telling the truth and aiming at political success are two different roads. Those who are blinded by Worldly Christianity--by their faith in the American Cult--refuse to see that. The pro life movement has no future until it quits the road of conventional politics. Until it re-discovers that narrow path which leads to a Christian Society.

social, not political

The real followers of Jesus are social, not political. The church itself--if it really was the Christian Church--is the Christian Society we need. It is the church we need to fix, not the State. The State can't be fixed. In trying to make it *Christian* we only de-Christian ourselves. We only fool ourselves thinking that we can fool others, that we can somehow trick false Christians and anti Christians into voting for Christian morality. The pursuit of political success requires us to abandon Christian truth. This doomed initiative illustrates it once again.

If Christians themselves--all those who take the name *Christian* in vain--would live up to the Christian faith they pretend to believe and the Christian morals they pretend to have, we would not have to beg the Immoral Majority to pass laws which force us to do what we won't do voluntarily. Our spiritual impotence pushes us into a vain attempt to acquire the political power to re-establish Christian morality in the law.

We are still stuck with this ancient illusion that The Law can be Just and that it can be effectively enforced. There is no justice in the law and it cannot be enforced unless most of those affected keep it voluntarily. The essential problem with the Law is that good people don't need it and bad people won't heed it. It didn't work for Israel and it won't work for us. When America had strict laws against abortion, abortion was common in America. It was kept out of sight.

We are commanded to *love one another as I have loved you* and we are commanded to *love thy neighbor as thyself*. We are even commanded to *love your enemies, do good to those that hate you*. And all of those injunctions mandate a Christian Society. Christians must be social. But not political. It is two different things. None of these injunctions square with doing a deal with The World so we can get hold of the police power and impose Christian morality by force of Law upon the recalcitrant pagans. When pseudo *Christians* get hold of that power, it gets hold of them. They have never yet succeeded in imposing Christian morality by The Law. What they arrive at instead is hypocrisy, the legal pretence of morality. Like they have in Brazil, which has millions of abortions that are nominally illegal. Like we had in America before Governor Reagan *reluctantly* signed the 1967 California abortion law.

There is not always a simple and obvious answer as to how we can live in the World while we refuse to conform to the World. But it is obvious that Worldly Christians have betrayed Christian Society. Have tried to replace it with *Christendom*--a society which pretends to be Christian while it persists in pursuing wealth and political power, which depends upon the Empire to enforce Christian morality. That is how we arrived at this morally helpless version of Christianity which waits for the Government to bail us out. It is not going to do it. Because it can't do it. Until we learn that lesson, the effort to establish a Christian Society in America--a truly **pro life** society--is doomed to failure. Just as this fundamentally foolish and un Christian initiative is doomed to failure. [Sept 29th 2008]

the channel 9 mini debate

featured Kristi Burton in a brief debate with a different spokeswoman for the **No on 48** coalition. Having the last word, this spokeswoman ended with: *Amendment 48 is a sneaky attempt to ban all abortions in Colorado*. Which is true isn't it ? And which points up the moral humiliation which seems inevitably to accompany these vain attempts to Pass Something contra abortion. The other side tells the truth and our side does not. Miss Burton did not have the chance to answer this allegation, but it was obvious from this and the earlier debates that she would not have answered it anyway. She avoids any mention of *abortion*.

I would have no quarrel with *banning all abortions in Colorado*, if it were possible. Even if it were done in a *sneaky* way, it would be hard to argue with the end result. But moral alarm bells should start ringing for anyone pretending to be a *Christian* when you find yourself relying upon deception, instead of relying upon the power of the Spirit of Truth.

And where you do you end up when this *sneaky attempt* fails to succeed ? You make your deal with the devil and then he fails to keep his end of the bargain. That is what happens very often in conventional politics. People abandon principle for the sake of success and then don't achieve the success.

If you go out there and Bear Witness to the Truth about abortion, you win even if you lose. When you try to achieve a moral victory by fraud, you lose even if you win.

Miss Burton appears to have been coached by her lawyer allies to hang on to her talking points through thick and thin and avoid any other subject. *That's my story and I'm sticking to it.* The **story** is that Amendment 48 is necessary to bring Colorado Law into line with *modern science*. It gives *The People* the chance to do this, contra the *Special Interests*.

So in the process of trying to fool others, we must keep fooling ourselves. First century Christians knew that abortion was murder. It is clearly stated in a first century catechism. And it hardly needed to be stated. Everybody already knew it. *Modern Science* is superfluous and irrelevant. We don't need to *modernize* Colorado law, rather we need to re-introduce the antique principle that *Thou Shalt Not Commit Murder* !

What silliness to suppose that *people* who have cast off the 10 commandments are going to be persuaded by some argument about tidying up the law in the light of *modern science*. You do not need to be a Christian to recognize the common sense fact that **abortion kills babies**. But without a real Christian faith, most people never arrive at even the most obvious moral principles. It is astonishing how many evasions the mind can find when it comes to killing by abortion or killing by war.

Faith in *The People* is the essential foolishness of *humanism*. The argument about the *Special Interests* is dishonest political rhetoric. We have abortion in Colorado because The People require the services of the Special Interests, that is, they require the contraception and abortion services provided by Planned Parenthood. Having few or no kids and having them as late as possible is the foundation of the wealth pursuing lifestyle they have embraced.

The pro life movement is never going to get any where until we acknowledge that The People **ARE NOT** on our side. That the Immoral Majority must be confronted by the Courageous Minority--that minority of real Christians who have the Spirit of Courage. And they must be confronted by the Spirit of Truth. The faith that it can be done some other way is a false faith, is a morally fatal illusion.

We have to forget about **voting** and start **fighting** ! And we have to fight the way that Jesus taught us. [see *The Spiritual Warfare of Jesus Christ* on the [www.RadicalChristianPress](http://www.RadicalChristianPress.com) web site]

The specious arguments for this initiative don't fool anyone except those promoting it. They waste their time, money and energy and that of all those silly enough to support it. They promote a false faith which leads to a real despair. [October 13th 2008]

Amendment 48, the *Colorado Human Life Amendment*, has been voted down by about 75 per cent of the voters. A million and a half voted against it while half a million voted for it. When you lose by a 3 to 1 margin, the cause is obviously hopeless, all false faith and foolishness to the contrary. That is, it is hopeless if you leave the Fate of the Unborn in the hands of VOTERS.

But consider: 500,000 people in Colorado just voted in favor of an absolute ban on abortion. If they had actually **DONE SOMETHING** which took **COURAGE**, instead of just slipping in and out of the voting booth on behalf of *a sneaky attempt to outlaw all abortion in the State of Colorado*, we would be in a very different place from where we are now. The Rescue Movement at its climax counted 50,000 who were willing to *rescue*--sit down in front of abortion clinics and get arrested.

I calculate that 5000 people willing to pass out *The First Nine Months* could put one into the hands of every adult and teenager in the State in the same amount of time and for the same amount of money that was thrown away on this futile attempt to pass a law.

If 500 would do it--1 of 1000 of those who voted for this ban--it would take longer, but it could still be done before the next election rolls around. Worldly Christians applaud those who distribute literature for hopeless initiatives and hopelessly compromised candidates. They balk at **the politics of Jesus: BEARING WITNESS TO THE TRUTH** on behalf of the unborn. But some day they may do it.

Meanwhile, Thank God for the 50 who do pass out pro life literature. **Terry Sullivan**

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