

God is the Giver of Life

January 27th & 28th, 2018

Acts 17:24-25

National Sanctity of Human Life Day

“On January 13, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation designating January 22 as the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day. (January 22, 1973, was the day the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion-on-demand in all 50 states.) Churches around the United States use the day to celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit themselves to protecting human life at every stage.”¹

“When we choose to see people as God does, we are moved to love others in a way that honors our creator. Being pro-life is a worldview – a life view – that should transcend culture, class, race, age and opinion. From the formation of a child's first tiny cell, to life's final breath, all life has inherent dignity and value.”²

God, our Creator, is the Giver of Life

Genesis 1:1 “In the beginning God created ...”

❖ God creates life in the womb!

- Psalm 139:13-16
 - Human Life begins at conception!

“In that fraction of a second when the chromosomes form pairs, the sex of the new child will be determined, hereditary characteristics received from each parent will be set, and a new life will have begun.”³

- Genesis 25:21-24

Luke 1:41 “And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. ...”

❖ God creates each life unique and special!

Genesis 1:27 “So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

“The American College of Pediatricians urges healthcare professionals, educators and legislators to reject all policies that condition children to accept as normal a life of chemical and surgical impersonation of the opposite sex. Facts – not ideology – determine reality. ... Human sexuality is binary [XY and XX] by design with the obvious purpose being the reproduction and flourishing of our species. ... No one is born with a gender. Everyone is born with a biological sex. Gender (an awareness and sense of oneself as male or female) is a sociological and psychological concept; not an objective biological one. ... When an otherwise healthy biological boy believes he is a girl, or an otherwise healthy biological girl believes she is a boy, an objective psychological problem exists ... These children

suffer from gender dysphoria ... a recognized mental disorder in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association. ... Conditioning children into believing a lifetime of chemical and surgical impersonation of the opposite sex is normal and healthful is child abuse. ...”⁴

Heads-up parents! “There’s a battle raging right now over sex education, and our kids are in the line of fire. ... The curriculum was called ‘Rights, Respect, Responsibility,’ and it was put together by a group called Advocates for Youth, which unsurprisingly, is affiliated with Planned Parenthood. Among other things, this course used non-gender-specific pronouns, taught students that they can be attracted to any gender, and described in vivid detail sexual practices I cannot mention on air. ... Worse still, this course informed middle-schoolers that they can self-refer to a clinic ‘like Planned Parenthood’ without telling their parents, and warned that abstinence education websites lie.”⁵

❖ God continues to fulfill His purpose as people grow older!

- Psalm 71:17-19

◆ Physician Assisted Suicide is now legal in Colorado! The law went into effect on December 16, 2016

“Colorado voters have approved a proposition that makes it legal to help terminally ill patients end their own life. ... Colorado becomes the sixth state to have a so-called ‘right-to-die law,’ joining Washington, Oregon, California, Vermont, and Montana. ... Assisted suicide — sometimes called physician-assisted suicide or ‘death with dignity’ ... Supporters say it respects patients’ autonomy by allowing them to control their lives until the very end and die on their own terms. ... Opponents argue, often on religious grounds, that helping take a life in any situation is ethically wrong. ...”⁶

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; ...”

Luke 12:25 “And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?”

Acts 17:24-25

“The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.”

Endnotes:

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