

“EMPATHY OR TRUTH IN LOVE? - Part II”

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REVIEW/INTRO: Empathy is sympathizing with another person’s situation. Empathy is a positive virtue but should be submitted to truth in love (Eph. 4:15; John 17:17; 8:32).

LIE #1: “Abortion is Health Care.”

1. Abortion is forgivable (1John 1:9; Rom. 8:1).
2. Have we become somewhat numb to abortion?
3. Abortion is not reproductive freedom, but the freedom to terminate reproduction.
4. Abortion is not health care for the unborn, and is rarely health care for the mother.
5. **“My body, my choice!”**
 - A. What about the unborn child’s body and choice?
 - B. Isn’t the unborn child a separate body (organs, etc.)?
 - C. Why weren’t they chanting that about the vaccine?

I. THE FLIP SIDE OF EMPATHY

- A. What about empathy for the innocent unborn child?
- B. Is taking the life of the unborn truly loving and just?
- C. Consider the brutal abortion procedures.
- D. Why are some more concerned about pets and animals?

II. THE KEY TO THE ABORTION DEBATE: *Is an unborn child a human being?* Yes - medically & biblically!

1. **“You shall not murder.”** (Ex. 20:13; Matt. 5:21-22)
2. God considered Jeremiah (Jer. 1:5), John the Baptist (Lk. 1:15, 41, 44) & Jesus (Matt. 1:18, 23; Lk. 2:4-5, 12, 16) human beings before they were born!
3. The 2nd greatest commandment (Matt. 22:39).
“Love does no harm to a neighbor; ...” (Rom. 13:9-10)
 - Shouldn’t this include a neighbor still in the womb?
4. God hates the shedding of innocent blood (Prov. 6:16-17).

III. THE DARK HISTORY OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD

IV. What about in the case of rape, incest, the health of the mother or the condition of the baby?

Is that child less of a human being? What about adoption?

CONCLUSION: Don’t give in to the lie that abortion is health care. The unborn in the womb are human beings to God!