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THANK GOD--13 STATES HAVE RULED UNBORN BABIES ARE CHILDREN

Thank You Lord for these thirteen states that honor Your Word with these laws in protecting these unborn children.

Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. (Ps 127:3)

Last week, New York state shocked the nation by passing an abortion law that allows pregnant women to terminate their pregnancies up until their due dates. The progressive law is the first of its kind, but New York appears to only be the first of many states who are considering adopting similar legislation. New York now has one of the most radical abortion laws in the nation, and while abortion is nationally legal under Roe v. Wade, many states have written their laws to define unborn babies as human beings.

Here is a list of 13 states that define the unborn as people.

1. ALABAMA

Alabama made headlines in 2017 when they declared that an unborn baby was a person. The States legislation that declares this claim was passed into law in 2006 and says that a person, as defined under their criminal code, is "a human being, including an unborn child in utero at any stage of development, regardless of viability." ...

2. ARKANSAS

As a part of its criminal code, Arkansas defines the term "person," to include "an unborn child in utero at any stage of development." ...

3. IDAHO

Idaho breaks down the term "unborn child" using more technical terms. Under their feticide definition, the state defines an "embryo" and "fetus" as any human in utero....

4-10. ILLINOIS, KANSAS, KENTUCKY, MISSISSIPPI, OKLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, TEXAS

In Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas the states' laws define an "unborn child" as a human being from the time of fertilization until birth. Illinois' criminal law says,

“‘unborn child’ shall mean any individual of the human species from fertilization until birth.” In Kansas, under “Alexa’s Law, “‘unborn child’ means a living individual organism of the species homo sapiens, in utero, at any stage of gestation from fertilization to birth.” Kentucky’s legislation echoes Kansas’ nearly identically. Mississippi, Texas and Oklahoma more specifically refer to unborn babies at “human beings.” In Tennessee, the terms “another,” “individuals” and “another person” include a human embryo or fetus at any stage of gestation in utero.

11-12. LOUISIANA AND MISSOURI

Louisiana and Missouri also make mention to intravenous birth in their criminal laws deeming traditionally conceived and IVF babies as “individuals” and “human beings.” Louisiana’s legislation states, “‘Unborn child’ means any individual of the human species from fertilization and implantation until birth.” Missouri’s reads, “The life of each human being begins at conception; Unborn children have protectable interests in life, health, and well-being.” ...

13. MICHIGAN

Michigan perhaps has the strictest fetal homicide laws of the bunch. While in all of the above-mentioned states, abortion is permitted under their regulations, Michigan lays out a different set of rules. The state’s legislation reads, “Death of quick child or mother from use of medicine, etc., with intent to destroy such child—Any person who shall administer to any woman pregnant with a quick child any medicine, drug or substance whatever, or shall use or employ any instrument or other means, with intent thereby to destroy such child, unless the same shall have been necessary to preserve the life of such mother, shall, in case the death of such child or of such mother be thereby produced, be guilty of manslaughter.” ... (Excerpt from Kayla Koslosky article in [Christian Headlines](#))

PRAY AND SEND A PRAYER MESSAGE—PUSH TO REMOVE GOD FROM OATH IN HOUSE COMMITTEE

Pray that references to God will not be removed in Congress. Send a prayer message to your Congressman or woman—[CLICK HERE.](#)

I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I have been saved from my enemies. (Ps 18:3)

A key committee in the Democrat-controlled House of Representatives is moving to eliminate the God reference from the oath administered to witnesses testifying before the panel, as part of a new rules package expected to be approved this week, according to a draft obtained exclusively by Fox News.

The draft shows that the House Committee on Natural Resources would ask witnesses to recite only, "Do you solemnly swear or affirm, under penalty of law, that the testimony that you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?"

The rules proposal places the words "so help you God" in red brackets, indicating they are slated to be cut. The words "under penalty of law" are in red text, indicating that Democrats propose to add that phrasing to the oath.

The draft rules also remove the phrase "his or her" throughout the document, changing those two pronouns to "their." The rules additionally modify all references to the committee's "Chairman" to instead refer only to the committee's "Chair."

Other rules changes relate to expanding the committee's authority over natural gas in Alaska and fossil-fuel resources.

While many federal oaths include the phrase "so help me God," some -- most notably the presidential oath of office -- do not.

The full committee is set to vote on the new language this week, and the rules would take effect immediately if adopted. Other committees were still in the process of finalizing their rules on Monday.

Republican leaders reacted with dismay.... (Excerpts from Gregg Re article on [Fox News](#))

MANIPULATED INTO MULTIPLE ABORTIONS, GOD GAVE HER MERCY AND A MESSAGE

Father, help us to know how to encourage others who need Your wisdom to make righteous decisions. Have mercy on us all.

[I]f a man is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore such a one in the spirit of meekness, watching yourselves, lest you also be tempted. ([Gal.6:1](#))

Mario Cuomo, governor of New York, recently celebrated and signed into law the radical "Reproductive Health Act" he promoted with Hillary Clinton. This allows full-term, unborn babies to be aborted by even non-doctors for any reason up until the moment of birth. Totally viable, developed children in the birth canal face the death penalty, although New York prohibits it for criminals, while doctors and nurses who refuse to do abortions now find their jobs in jeopardy.

Mr. Cuomo, a "Catholic," lives with a woman outside of marriage and is endorsing sinful, barbaric behavior contrary to Biblical teaching and upheld by authentic Christians and people of other religions worldwide, in addition to being expressly prohibited by the Roman Catholic Church. Regardless of motivation or manipulation, he's involved in grievous transgression, needs prayer and someone to restore him to moral sanity. To think that baby boys and girls 7, 8 and 9 pounds delivered early, cooing and crying can be exterminated or simply abandoned on a table to die is an incomprehensible injustice.

My Manipulated Friend

My wife and I have had a very dear friend of decades who was manipulated and caught in this same area of serious deception. Because the time of passive Christianity when pastors and people aren't "salt and light" as Jesus directed, but instead sit on the sidelines silent on moral issues must end, I asked Corrine if we could share her story to help educate and awaken multitudes. What follows is her experience in her own words.

I was raised in a large, church-attending family but at an early age I began resisting parental and church guidance. Being raped at age 12 preceded three years of teenage rape by my employer. These sad events coupled with my promiscuous lifestyle resulted in my having five abortions, three performed illegally at what I was told were women's "health care clinics."

I was taught that abortion was wrong, but I rationalized that "If abortion is legal, then it must be OK." The abortions resulted in depression and a feeble suicide attempt as my conscience bothered me, but

not enough to avoid the widely available procedure. Many girls I knew or met in the clinics, like me, were using abortion as a form of birth control.

The counseling and procedures were the same in each abortion clinic where girls who had prior abortions talked about them as insignificant. We were given birth control pills after the procedure which promoted more promiscuity. While demonstrating the procedure on a plastic model of an empty uterus, the preborn baby was described as "tissue" or like a "blood clot being removed." "It's like having a wart removed! Here today, gone tomorrow."

I hemorrhaged after one abortion and, if I had gone home, I would have died. Before the fifth abortion at 11-weeks, in an attempt to quell my nagging conscience, I asked if I could see the "tissue" when finished. The personnel looked at each other quizzically, then complied with my request.

After the abortion, the nurse approached me with gauze in her hand. "See, it's only tissue!" Lifting my head, I peered into her palm and underneath the small blood clots I noticed what looked like tiny fish bones. Pointing to them I asked her what they were, and she quickly folded the gauze, saying abruptly, "Oh, probably just an early formation of a rib cage" before pitching the blood-spattered gauze into the trashcan.

My soon-to-be husband Rick and I met each other in the waiting room where I tearfully lamented, "I saw ribs! I saw our baby's ribs!" I withdrew emotionally for hours that turned into days. The image of our child's tiny rib cage confronted me with the truth about what we had done, and it haunted me perpetually.

Divine Intervention

Thank God for people who faithfully share the gospel! A few months later, Rick and I responded to the good news, repented of our sins and accepted God's merciful gift of forgiveness to start a new life in Christ. There still were residual effects of what I had done and when people mentioned abortion, the pain resurfaced.

Rick and I were married in a Christian church. Pregnancy eluded us which was a painful reality. My doctor expressed serious doubt that I could conceive, and stated that if I did, I would most likely miscarry due to the scar tissue and other related issues.

Then one day while reading my Bible I came upon the story of Abraham's wife, Sarah, who at age 90 miraculously conceived Isaac! After a church service I asked my pastor to pray that I would be healed of infertility from the abortions. He compassionately inquired of how many abortions, and I painfully admitted "Five".

This pastor counseled me regarding God's mercy and we prayed together that God would heal me and free me from ongoing guilt and pain. Thanks be to God because that same evening, Rick and I conceived our first son!

Still struggling with remorse at times, I wondered what my aborted children would've looked like and what they could've become. Guarding my thoughts, meditating on Scriptures and studying factual pro-life literature provided to me, God guided me in the healing process.

The truth would come out about the clinics that lied to me and to scores of naïve and desperate girls and women. The deception, prior to seeing these truths, preceded a second time of my near death, if it had it not been for God's miraculous intervention.

Once while driving, blinded by tears and a cloudy mind, thoughts of despair and hopelessness brought me to a point of considering plowing into a large trash dumpster on the road. Just before it happened, I sensed a still small voice say to me, "Are you going to kill another one?" I knew this was the Lord's voice reminding me that I was pregnant with my third child!

On our journey, Rick and I have experienced ongoing revelation of God's love, mercy and grace. We've also been blessed beyond measure with not just one... two... three... four... five... six... but seven children as gifts from God after experiencing the loss of our little ones prior to our growing family!

As our longtime friend and pastoral guide Larry Tomczak says, "Here's the deal": The most repeated verse in all the Bible, stated 26 times in Psalm 136 alone, "His mercy endures forever."

We've experienced His grace in a phenomenal way and encourage everyone to believe it and join with millions awakening to the abomination of abortion-on-demand that must once and for all be stopped in our generation.

Countering the Lies, Deception and Manipulation

Abortion is a money-making enterprise for Planned Parenthood and those involved. The tragic reality that our taxpayer money is channeled to them in subterfuge is a national disgrace and abomination before God.

We should all be grateful to God and support with our prayers and finances crisis pregnancy centers, adoption and those raising money to adopt; along with voting only for politicians who uphold the sanctity of human life. No matter how clever abortion marketing and deceptive terminology, the abortion industry continues to foster the genocide of generations.

May we be intentional in looking for and steering those pondering abortion to crisis pregnancy centers with compassionate servants spreading Christ's message and Corrine's to rescue multitudes.

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TRUMP PRAISES BIBLE LITERACY CLASSES IN SCHOOLS AMID LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS IN STATES

Thank You Lord that our president acknowledges You and Your Word.

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. (2 Tim 3:16-17)

President Donald Trump thinks it is "great" that the option of Bible classes is returning to public schools.

"Numerous states introducing Bible Literacy classes, giving students the option of studying the Bible. Starting to make a turn back? Great!" the president tweeted Monday.

In six states across the nation, bills to allow the Bible to be taught in the classroom, not as theology but on "Bible literacy" and historical grounds, are being considered.

In an interview on Fox and Friends Monday morning, North Dakota state representative Aaron McWilliams explained that the bill is important because it permits students to study what provided the foundation for American society, including how it informed the Constitutional Congress.

Yet groups like Americans United for Separation of Church and State are opposing the measures, asserting that they are part of a scheme to impose Christianity on public school students.

While separation of church and state is important, McWilliams said, it is impossible to separate books from education, citing a 1963 Supreme court case in which the high court ruled that it was permissible to do Bible-reading in school provided that it was done from historical and literary context.

"As long as we're not teaching faith in the school, we can go for it," he said, noting that the proposed Bible literacy class is not compulsory, but an elective.

"When you look at the Bible on its influence on our history, the system of judges comes from Exodus 18," he added, referencing principles in the legal system that have biblical roots.

In Missouri, state representative Ben Baker filed a bill to allow school districts in the state to teach the Bible as an elective.

"The history of our country, a lot of it is tied to principles that are there, and so, from a historical perspective, and it would be something that is an elective that is an opt-in for students, so, and I think it's some great legislation that hopefully we can see move through the process. There's a lot of steps for that to get to where I'd like to see it," Baker said earlier this month.

Similar bills are also presently being considered in Indiana, West Virginia, Virginia and Florida. Last year, Alabama, Iowa, and West Virginia considered bills but none were adopted.

When schools disallow religious texts like the Koran and the Bible into the school, a secular religion is essentially established in the vacuum, McWilliams explained Monday.

Soon after President Trump's tweet praising the Bible classes, a few jokes appeared online.

"Biblical literacy would actually undermine Trump's support so not sure why he's promoting it," tweeted David Gibson, the director of Fordham University's Center on Religion & Culture. (Excerpts from Brandon Showalter article in [The Christian Post](#))