# Abortion On Demand and Without Apology: How to Respond to Aggressive Abortion Advocacy

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#### I. Introduction: Where We Are Now

- A. Senate Testimony
- B. No longer "pro-choice" but "pro-abortion"
- C. What is arrayed against the pro-life movement
- D. Why pregnancy help centers and clinics are vital to victory
- E. A word on public advocacy vs. counseling room conversations
- F. It looks bad, but there is reason for hope

#### II. Pro-abortion Advocacy Strategies

- A. Abortion Advocates for What is Good
  - 1. "Abortion is Normal"
  - 2. "Abortion is Absolutely Health Care"
  - 3. "Abortion Access is Equity"
    - a. racial justice
    - b. unfair barriers to treatment
    - c. the magic of "agency"
  - 4. "Abortion is Loving"

#### B. Pro-Life Advocacy is Built on Lies and Harm Women

- 1. The pro-life position is dangerous
- 2. The pro-life position is deceptive

- 3. The pro-life position is based on "misinformation"
- 4. The pro-life position is extreme

## C. The Common Thread of Abortion Advocacy: The erasure of the unborn child as a target of abortion

#### D. Abortion Industry Strategies

- 1. Polarization
- 2. Aggressive marketing in pro-life states
- 3. Entrenching abortion in death states
- 4. Stockpiling abortion pills
- 5. Vetting doctors
- 6. Cross-border expansion into pro-life states

#### III. Responding to Abortion Arguments and Strategies

### A. Words Matter: Abortion is not "good"

- 1. Clarifying what is meant by "abortion"
  - a. Why abandon the use of the broad term "abortion"?
  - b. Defining abortion: revealing the target
  - c. Contrast "elective" with "spontaneous"
  - d. Distinguishing "elective abortion" from "medical treatment"
  - e. Contrasting "normal" with "common"
  - f. Standing on The Syllogism
- 2. Clarifying "Heath" and "Care"
- 3. Exposing Assumptions About Access and Agency
  - a. Should we have access to everything? A thought experiment.

- b. "Agency" is a meaningless term
- 4. Abortion is the opposite of loving
  - a. What is love?
  - b. Responding to Gov. Newsom's Bible Billboards

#### B. Abortion Advocacy is Built on Lies and Harms Women

- 1. Abortion is dangerous
  - a. exposing the victims
  - b. a word on abortion access and maternal mortality
- 2. The abortion industry is purposefully deceptive
  - a. Over 70 years of abortion deception in print
  - b. The pro-life movement must guard against accusations of deception
- 3. Defining "misinformation" and who is guilty
  - Assertions and why pro-life advocates must not overclaim
  - b. Abortion industry assertions
  - c. The role of evidence
  - d. The right to choose life must be unburdened
- 4. On being extreme
  - a. Are rape and incest exceptions "extreme"?
  - b. Why the abortion industry cannot allow any exceptions

#### C. Counter-Strategies

- 1. Quick review
- 2. The abortion issue is absolutely polarizing

- 3. Pro-life state counter-strike
  - a. Take the law as far as it is politically possible to go
  - b. Teach the rationale for state pro-life laws in schools
  - c. Inoculate students traveling to abortion states for sporting events
  - d. Eliminate abortion advocacy from the public school curriculum, except to contrast it with the science of embryology and moral reasoning.
  - e. Make it illegal to solicit abortion in advertising messages or "Can the Bunny Ranch advertise in Tennessee?"

#### D. A Regional Approach

- 1. Why state-by-state won't work
- 2. Develop a strategic regional approach

#### E. The Limits of State Power and the Necessity of the Church

- 1. Why the drive to normalize abortion?
- 2. The limits of state power: they can only make abortion illegal
- 3. The internal stress that follows the passage of pro-life laws
- 4. The state can only punish
- 5. The church has the only answer to the distress of abortion
- 6. How to engage the church

#### IV. Concluding Remarks and Questions