



Day 21—Pray for Statewide Repentance.

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One of our dearest friends pushed back against us when we posted one of these memes on one of our political pages. She was challenging us to be cooperative and unite with pro-life groups.

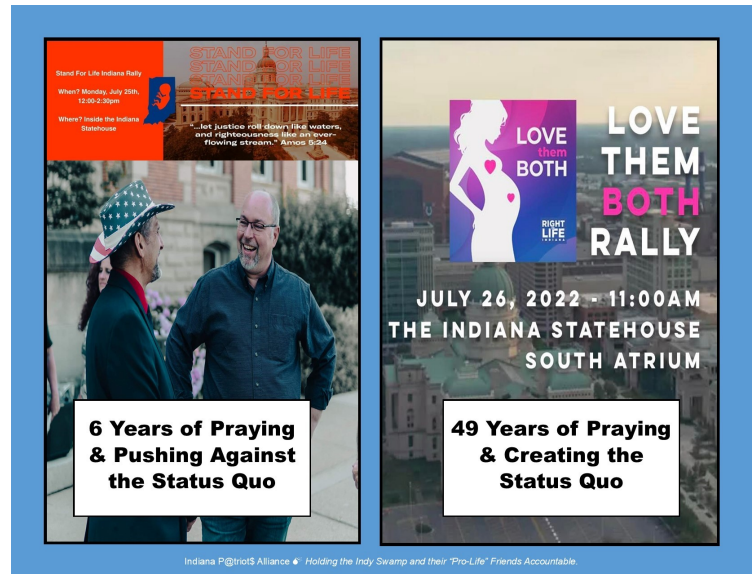
She made a good point, but we think we have another important point that must be embraced. **If God is going to answer our prayers and use Indiana to BE THE FIRST STATE TO HAVE A LAW MAKING ABORTION ILLEGAL WITH NO EXCEPTIONS, then we think we first must humble ourselves and repent by getting on the same page as God.** The two of us, Terry and Brad, are not God. We are not here to question people's motives, we are here to clarify the need to do what is right. From our study of the Word and our walk with Jesus, we believe we have an understanding of God's will on this subject. **IT IS GOD'S WILL THAT BABIES ARE NOT MURDERED. IN HIS WORD, THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.** So, if we are Christ-followers and "believe the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible," then we embrace the bill that results in no abortion with no exceptions. It is that simple. (If we are wrong, please tell us.)

We think true repentance is a 180 degree turn from what we have been doing, then agreeing with God about what He says, and then determining we are going to follow God instead of what we wanted to do. Agree?

Let's use an example. If a married man now determines he will be faithful to his wife, but will not confess his sin of infidelity and turn from his wicked ways, should his wife trust him? Likewise, why would God answer our prayers if we have glaring sin that we are hiding and don't want to confess as sin?

Some of us who talk about these things, are questioning if we have true repentance, as a state, in our role of abortion. The rally on Monday, July 25th, has been built on the foundation of confession and brokenness. Applying these same desires to the rally on Tuesday, July 26th, here is how we would like to see this second rally join us in confessing and repenting. Do the organizers of the Tuesday rally, agree with us on this need for repentance?

- 1. We must repent because our state government SHOULD HAVE rejected Roe v. Wade in 1973.** In other words, Indiana has ALWAYS HAD THE CONSTITUTIONAL POWER to say "No" to the murder of babies. **Why didn't we?** Perhaps it was because most Hoosiers, in 1973, did not understand their U.S. Constitutional authority. In 1973, a student of the U.S. Constitution would have known the federal government had no constitutional power to rule on the topic of life in the womb. **Amendment X reads, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people."** (This amendment was designed to hold the federal government accountable and in check. **By whom? The states and the people.**) So, where is this life and death power delegated to the federal government? Brad has a mentor who likes to say, "The U.S. Constitution does not need to be interpreted. It is not written in Chinese. It needs to be followed!" Now that the 2022 Supreme Court ruled that Roe v. Wade was unconstitutional, there should no longer be a debate about our past ability to reject Roe v. Wade. When we blame the Supreme Court for our killing fields, we are not accepting our own sin and not taking responsibility for our inactions. We must repent.
- 2. We must repent for believing Satan's lie that Roe v. Wade was "the law of the land."** How many times have we heard that? This is not truth. It is a lie. Who is the Father of lies? **Let's review: ONLY CONGRESS makes laws.** We have separation of powers. It takes Congress to pass a law and the President to sign the law (or there is a process of implementation if the President veto's the law). **The Supreme Court only makes OPINIONS, look it up ([click here](#)).** **The Roe v. Wade ruling was an OPINION about a specific case. IT DID NOT CREATE A LAW.** It was an illegal opinion since it violated the U.S. Constitution. As Christ-followers, we could also say the application of Roe v. Wade violated God's Law, which is the higher law and authority. So where was the Church in 1973 saying



God's law trumps the Supreme Court's opinion? Better yet, where has the church been since 1973? Why is it a typical weekly protest in front of an Indiana abortion mill only attracts a hand full of people, or maybe 20 on an exceptional day, when there are 3 million professing Christians and Jews in Indiana?^{1,2} Is the Church preaching today, in 2022, that God's Laws trump man's laws? If we are hearing that from our pulpits, are we taking action?

3. **We must repent because we have neglected and misunderstood the gift God gave us.** We're referring to the *5,000 year leap!* Through our relationship with Curt Nisly, he had us read a book by this title, [The 5000 Year Leap: A Miracle That Changed the World](#). It opened our eyes to the true history of America. It was Curt's study of this book, in a *Tea Party* group, that moved him to run for State Representative and be a change agent. Dear prayer warrior, would you agree with us God orchestrated the founding of this country? Would you agree it was His design and gift to create a government "after his own heart"? Do you know the [Pilgrim's Mayflower Compact](#) was a covenant with God for the "Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith..."? That is what was in their heart when they dedicated this new land. Do you know we are the first government in world history where "the people" rule the government rather than the government rule the people? Do you know that although not all of our Founding Fathers were Christ-followers, they ALL AGREED to build the Constitution and our laws on biblical principles? Do you know we would not have had 1776 and won the war, without our leaders pleading with God and calling for national repentance and prayer for the fighting and the creation of this country? ([Click here for early prayers.](#)) So, in light of this, what do we think it did to the heart of God when his Indiana children, in 1973, did not care to know enough about the Constitution He helped to design, to stop the murder of babies? What has it done to the heart of God to watch for 49 years His Church sleep through this period and not use their God-ordained and God-given power and God-given authority to stop the murder of innocent lives? **Hoosiers, we must repent!**
4. **We must repent because our state government recognized life begins at conception, while amending other laws so abortion could legally kill that life!** Which is worse, committing a sin and not knowing it is a sin, or knowing we are about to sin and choosing to commit the sin anyway? (For more on this, click here for see [Day 15.](#))
5. **Along with that confession, we also must repent because we have created a situation where a mother can ONLY HAVE A LEGAL ABORTION IN INDIANA, if she signs a paper acknowledging that life begins at conception.** We must repent because we promote these laws (resulting in #4 and #5) as "pro-life" victories. Instead, they are confirmations of our blindness and sin! God is not mocked. We must repent.
6. **We must repent because since January of 2017, our GOP Supermajority has ignored a bill that would stop abortion in Indiana.** Rather than embrace the proposed law, pro-life leaders generally acted like the 10 Spies and gave us a list of reason why this bill was not worthy of a discussion. ([Click here for the excuses we've heard.](#)) We believe God used Indiana to plant a stake in the ground for ending abortion, but because our leadership's lack of faith, God had to turn to Mississippi to find faith-filled Christ-followers who believed they could break through the status quo. Instead of Indiana, it was Mississippi God used to shatter the lie of Roe v. Wade. We must repent because God was not able to use us! (For more on this, read our [Day 10, history of the bill.](#))
7. **We must repent because the leaders of our state government have been more interested in pleasing men than pleasing God.** In politics, this is called "access politics." This political strategy assumes relationships with important people is the best way to accomplish political goals. It is the "I'll scratch your back, if you will scratch my back" philosophy. Janet Douglas in her writings, called it the "good ole boys system." John the Baptist, the one crying out in the wilderness, was not focused on pleasing people. Neither was Jesus. Our models from the Old Testament through the New Testament are men and women of God who went against the status quo of their day and spoke God's truth. Usually, that didn't go so well for them. But, it was what God called them to do. They said what needed to be said. They were not motivated by political favors and relationships, but rather by what was God's truth. **We must repent because in the "FIFTH MOST PRO-LIFE STATE IN THE UNION," we have been committed to regulating abortion rather than ending it.** We must repent.

That is just the starting point. Since we are humans and fall short of the glory of God, our repentance must go much deeper on even this topic. We are just scratching the surface.

What we've seen happen, is that on Tuesday, November 16th, the Indiana Liberty Movement had a ["Day of Praise, Prayer, Repentance, & Action"](#) (it's worth watching even now, click on that). These are the types of confessions we have been verbalizing and what has touched our hearts. Representative John Jacob has been weekly involved in joining others in front of the abortion mills, pleading for the lives about to be killed. He says his phone calls to area pastors to join him have fallen on deaf ears. **As Jacob and Jon Schrock have traveled the state trying to awaken the Church, John recently told us he is not seeing the signs of repentance. What would that look like? If there was a historically unique moving of God throughout Indiana, what would we see? When we pray for a revival, what are we even picturing will happen?** Those answers could make a future article.

Our point to this, we would like to see the Tuesday, July 26th, rally get on the same page of repentance. We must have

a statewide repentance because of what we as Hoosiers have done. **The 2022 Supreme Court ruling was our condemnation.** They confirmed the Court ruling was not Constitutional in 1973. The Supreme Court was wrong about slavery (1857), forced sterilization (1927), the internment of Japanese Americans during WWII (1944), and civil rights cases (1883). That's just a beginner's list of rulings later rejected by future Supreme Courts. **WHY DID CHRIST-FOLLOWERS ACCEPT THE 1973 ROE V. WADE RULING AS GOSPEL?** This 2022 ruling confirmed what Representative Curt Nisly said in 2016, that abortion was a state matter and not for the federal government to decide. **Was Curt really the smartest person at the Statehouse, or did those with legal minds and backgrounds simply ignored this issue? Did those smart people simply choose to accept the murder of babies?** We must repent.

Smashing the image of the "law of the land," President Biden and Speaker Pelosi have confirmed this was never the law of the land, as they strive to enact a law in favor of abortion.^{3,4} But, it is too late for that! **Americans, today, are smarter than in 1973.** An unconstitutional law is not a legitimate law and has no authority. And, God's Law is the higher Court and law. Agree? We must repent for our failure to understand these things.

As we approach next week and the start of this historic life and death Special Session, let's repent. Let's build what happens next on the foundation of repentance, humility, and brokenness.

Pray with us:

Dear Heavenly Father, You have been more than patient with our apathy and non-engagement as a state regarding the protection of the defenseless preborn. Forgive us, Lord, for our complacency, our pride, our arrogance, our lack of love, and our callous response to protecting life in our state. We repent on behalf of the blood guilt we have contributed to over the past 49 years.

We cry out for your mercy and grace. Bring us to an end of the Hoosier Holocaust we have created. We have been responsible for abdicating our duty as citizens by neglecting to be educated and informed of the U.S. and Indiana Constitutions and how they apply to state sovereignty. Forgive us for demonstrating no interest in holding our elected officials accountable for their representation, as we trusted they were looking out for the best interest of the preborn and their constituents. Only by your grace will we see new legislation presented, reviewed, and passed into law for no more abortions with zero exceptions. Lord, have mercy on us.

Decree with us:

We decree victory for the preborn in Indiana. We decree that our grassroots mobilization will serve as a model for other states to bring about the end of abortion in Indiana. We declare our commitment to protect all life from conception to natural death.

Desiring unity through repentance,

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- ◆ Join us for the "Stand for Life" Rally at the Statehouse, on Monday, July 25th, beginning at noon. If the Church wants to end the murder of baby Hoosiers, the time is NOW to ACT, [click here](#) and [click here](#).
- ◆ Our hearts were broken on [Day 8](#) when we prayed for **Hudson Schrank**. Brad Skiles has created a *Facebook Fundraiser* that can be found by [clicking here](#). Thank you for considering a gift!
- ◆ **TO FIND YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN INDIANA**, [click here](#).
- ◆ For an archive folder of these daily devotionals, [click here](#).
- ◆ For a list of 14 Indiana Prayer Requests, [click here](#).