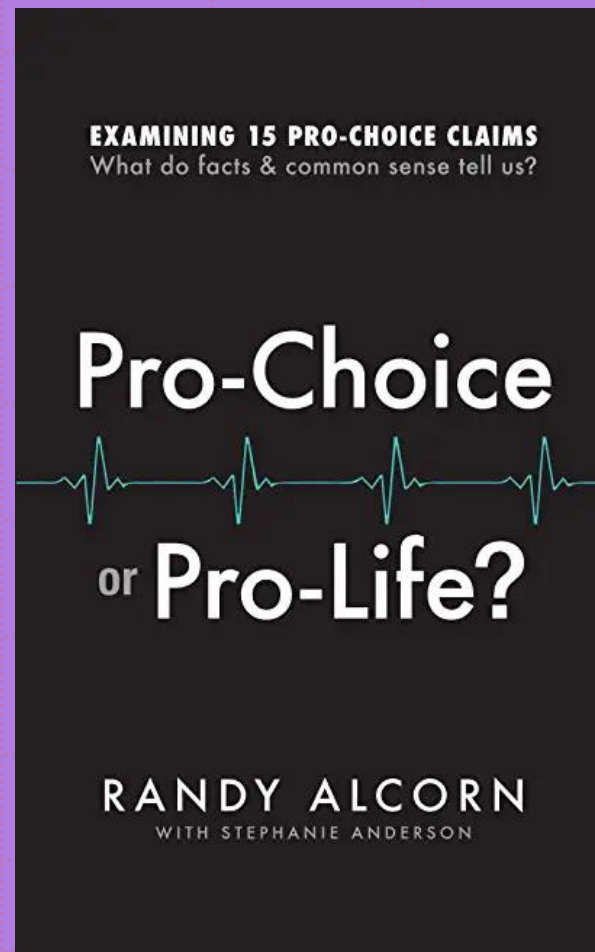


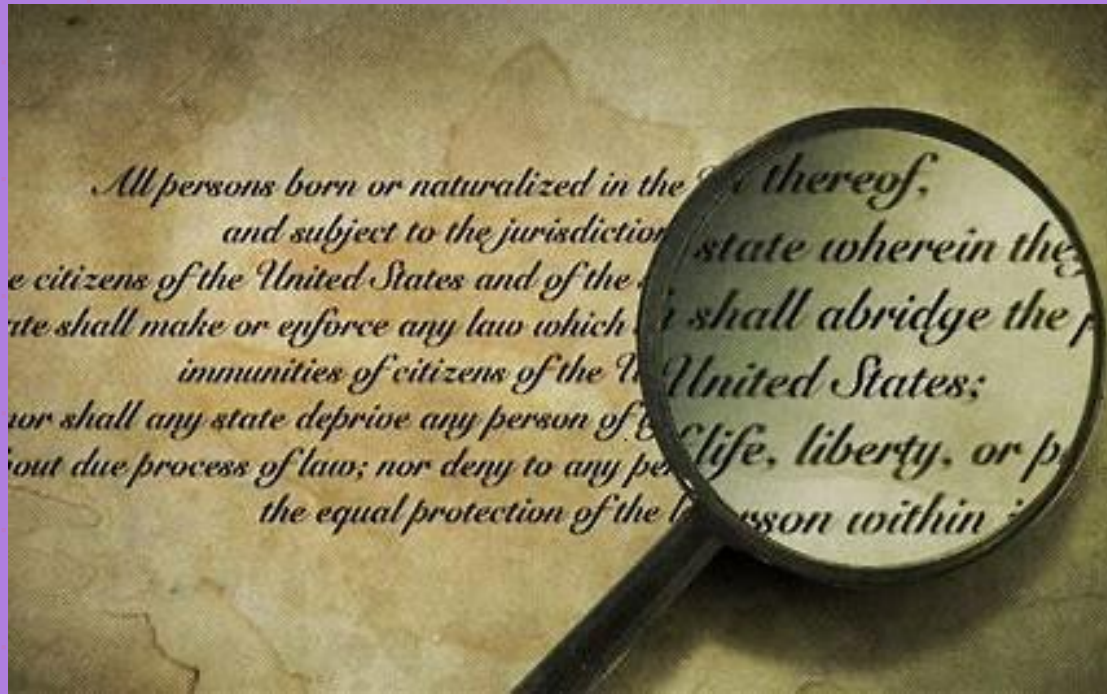
# Sanctity of Life 1



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14<sup>th</sup> amendment—"no state shall **deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law...**"



## Biblical Basis on the Sanctity of Human Life

- Prohibition against taking innocent life at any stage-- Exodus 20:13—“You must not murder (any persons).” – unlawful killing—murder defined: “the unlawful premeditated killing of one human being (synonym—“person”) by another;” capital punishment or killing to restrain evildoers in society or war is legally permitted in human societies

# The use of personal pronouns denotes human “persons.”

- Job 31:15—“Did not He who made **me** in the womb make him? Did not the same One fashion **us** before our birth?”
- Isaiah 49:1—“The Lord called Me from the womb; from the inward parts of my mother, He named me. (reference directly to Israel, but could be to Messiah or possibly to Isaiah himself)

- Ps.139:13-16—Each human person is fearfully/wonderfully made—“you knit **me** together in my mother’s womb...your eyes saw **my** unformed body.”
- Jeremiah 1:5--“Before I formed **you** in the womb, I knew **you**.“  
The “you” is the person Jeremiah.



- **Luke 1:35**—“The angel answered and said to Mary, ‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy **Child** shall be **called** the Son of God.’” “No faithful Christian would ever deny that Jesus Christ was a true human person whose life was sacred from the first moment of conception in the womb of His mother Mary.”
- Gen. 2:7 – creation of Adam different from the creation up to that point—here God “forms” Adam and breathes into him – prototype of human creation “Then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul.”

- **The Early Church's View of Abortion—Abortion and The Early Church, by Michael J. Gorman**
- **Tertullian (197 AD)**
- **The Didache (The Lord's Teachings Through the Twelve Apostles, circa 80-110 AD, perhaps as early as 50-70 A.D.)**



- **Letter of St. Barnabas: (between 70-132 AD)**
- **These two above contained a section, based on Jewish oral and written tradition, called *The Two Ways***