

“THAT IS
MY
BABY!”



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- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – in 2016 abortion among black women accounted for **38%** of all abortions. Since 1973 more than 19 million black babies have been aborted.
- Percentage of black persons in US 13.4%
- Across all demographics, over **63 million babies** have been lost to abortion since 1973 when the practice was legalized in the U.S. Guttmacher.org

Historical Review

- Genesis 15:13, "*God* said to Abram, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, where they will be enslaved and oppressed four hundred years... 16 "Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for the **iniquity** of the Amorite is not yet complete."
- Lev. 18:21 "Do not give any of your **children to be sacrificed** to Molech, for you must not profane the name of your God. I am the LORD. 25 'For the land has become defiled, therefore I have brought its punishment upon it, so the land has spewed (vomited – NIV) out its inhabitants."

Historical Review

- Lev. 20:3 "I myself will set my face against him and will cut him off from his people; for by **sacrificing his children to Molek**, he has defiled my sanctuary and profaned my holy name. Lev 20:4 If the members of the community close their eyes when that man **sacrifices one of his children** to Molek and if they fail to put him to death, Lev 20:5 I myself will set my face against him and his family and will cut them off from their people together with all who follow him in prostituting themselves to Molek." (NIV)

Historical Review

- Deut. 18:10 - 12 "There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter **pass through the fire**,... "For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD, and because of these abominations the LORD your God drives them out from before you."

2 Kings 21: Manasseh

“He sacrificed **his own son in the fire**, practiced sorcery and divination, and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did much evil in the eyes of the LORD, provoking him to anger.” (v. 6)

But the people did not listen. Manasseh led them astray, so that they **did more evil** than the nations the LORD had destroyed before the Israelites.” (v. 9)

“Moreover, Manasseh also shed so much **innocent blood** that he filled Jerusalem from end to end--besides the sin that he had caused Judah to commit, so that they did **evil in the eyes of the LORD.**” (v. 16)

2 Chronicles 33:6 – 10 Manasseh

“He **sacrificed his sons in the fire** in the Valley of Ben Hinnom, practiced sorcery, divination and witchcraft, and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did **much evil in the eyes of the LORD**, provoking him to anger. ... 8 I will not again make the feet of the Israelites leave the land I assigned to your forefathers, **if only** they will be careful to do everything I commanded them concerning all the laws, decrees and ordinances given through Moses.” 9 But Manasseh led Judah and the people of Jerusalem astray, so that they **did more evil than the nations** the LORD had destroyed before the Israelites.” 10 The LORD spoke to Manasseh and his people, but **they paid no attention.**”

Depths of Degradation

- (2 Chron. 36:16) “But they mocked God's messengers, despised his words and scoffed at his prophets until the wrath of the LORD was aroused against his people and (until) there was no remedy.”
- Jeremiah 32:35 Even God is amazed at the depth of degradation
- “They built high places for Baal in the Valley of Ben Hinnom to **sacrifice their sons and daughters to Molech**, though I never commanded, **nor did it enter my mind**, that they should do such a detestable thing and so make Judah sin.”

Depths of Degradation

- Ezekiel 16:36, 38 Commit adultery and then **shed blood of your sons**
- “Thus says the Lord GOD, "Because your lewdness was poured out and your nakedness uncovered through your harlotries with your lovers and with all your detestable idols, and because of the **blood of your sons** which you gave to idols,”
- “Thus I shall judge you, like women who commit adultery or shed blood are judged; and I shall bring on you the **blood of wrath and jealousy.**”

What God Hates: Proverbs 6:16 - 19

“There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him:

17 Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, **And hands that shed innocent blood,**

18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that run rapidly to evil,

19 A false witness who utters lies, And one who spreads strife among brothers.”

Value of Human Life (Luke 1:41 - 43)

- When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the **baby** leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.
- 42 And she cried out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed *are* you among women, and blessed *is* the **fruit of your womb!**
- 43 "And how has it *happened* to me, that the **mother** of my Lord would come to me?

Value of Human Life (Psalm 139)

- 13: "For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my **mother's womb**. 14 I will give thanks to You, for I am **fearfully and wonderfully made**; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, *And* **skillfully wrought** in the depths of the earth; 16 Your eyes have seen my **unformed substance**; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained *for me*, When as yet there was not one of them."

A Conclusion:

- You're not an animal.
- You're not a biological accident.
- You're not tissue at some point and then you become a person.
You're a creation of God, who weaves together the genetic code, who intimately sees the unformed child, and who guides the entire process.
- The womb should be the safest place a child could be. For many children it is the most dangerous.

Do not Participate

- (Ephesians 5:1 – 11) 5 – 7 “For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not be partakers with them;... 11 Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them;”

Who has abortions?

- Care Net, a network of more than 1,100 pregnancy centers. Recently, I was told that **90% of pregnant women who visit a crisis pregnancy center carry their child to term.** [Value of an Ultrasound] Conversely, more than 90% of pregnant women who go to Planned Parenthood choose abortion. The reassuring words, health care, resources about adoption, and provision of basic material needs provided at a **crisis pregnancy center** allow women to make a clear-minded, optimistic choice about their pregnancy, rather than reacting out of fear and desperation. When given a real choice, women tend to choose life.” John Stonestreet

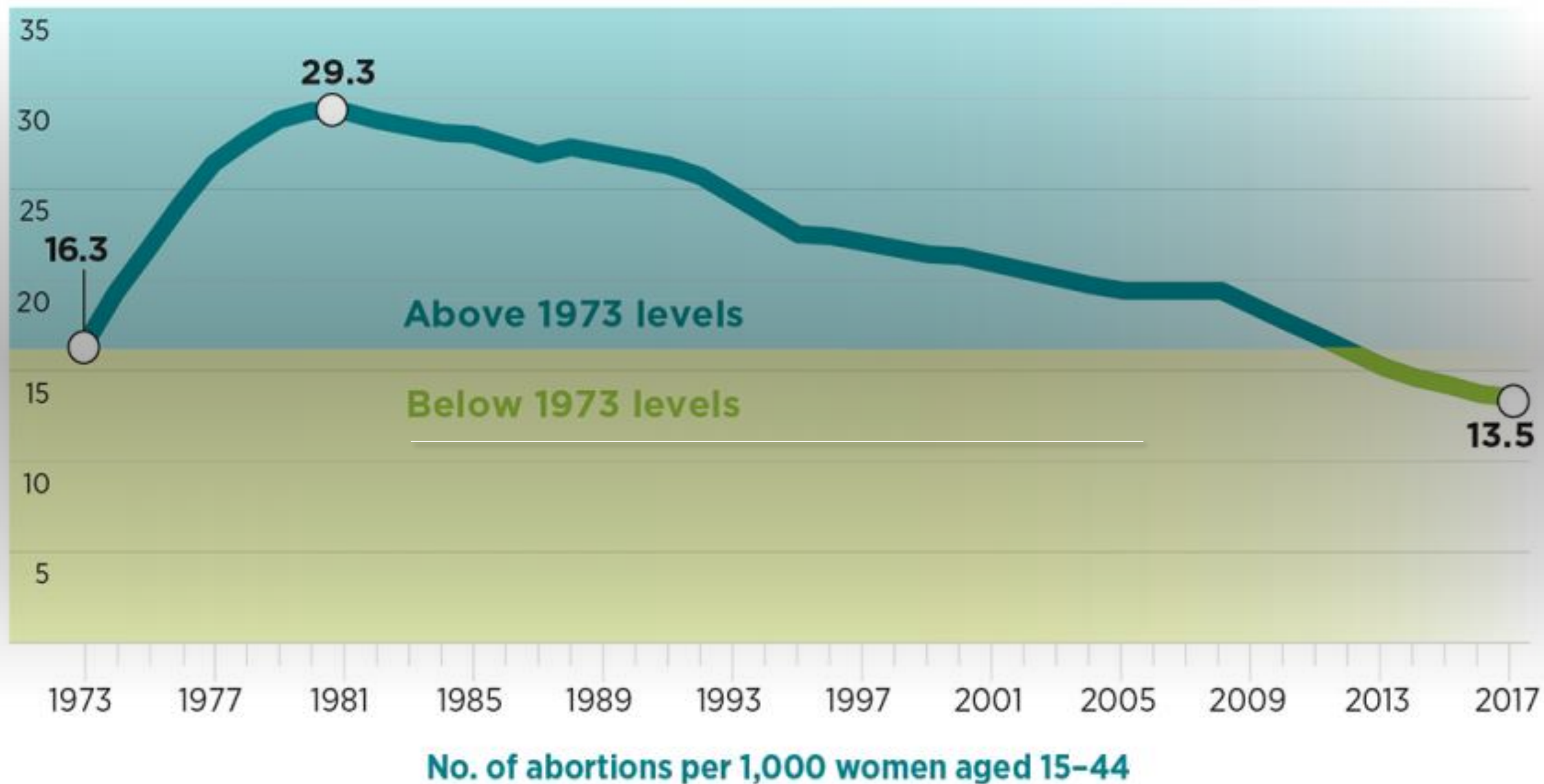
Who Has Abortions?

- Eighteen percent of U.S. women obtaining abortions are teenagers; those aged 15–17 obtain 6% of all abortions, teens aged 18–19 obtain 11%, and teens younger than age 15 obtain 0.4%.
- Women in their 20s account for more than half of all abortions; women aged 20–24 obtain 33% of all abortions, and women aged 25–29 obtain 24%.
- Women who have never married and are not cohabiting account for 45% of all abortions
- Guttmacher Institute - guttmacher.org

Abortion in Decline

- Approximately 862,320 abortions were performed in 2017, down 7% from 926,190 in 2014.
- The abortion rate in 2017 was 13.5 abortions per 1,000 women aged 15–44, down 8% from 14.6 per 1,000 in 2014.¹ This is the lowest rate ever observed in the United States; in 1973, the year abortion became legal, the rate was 16.3.²
- Guttmacher Institute

The U.S. abortion rate reached a historic low in 2017.



What We *Know*.

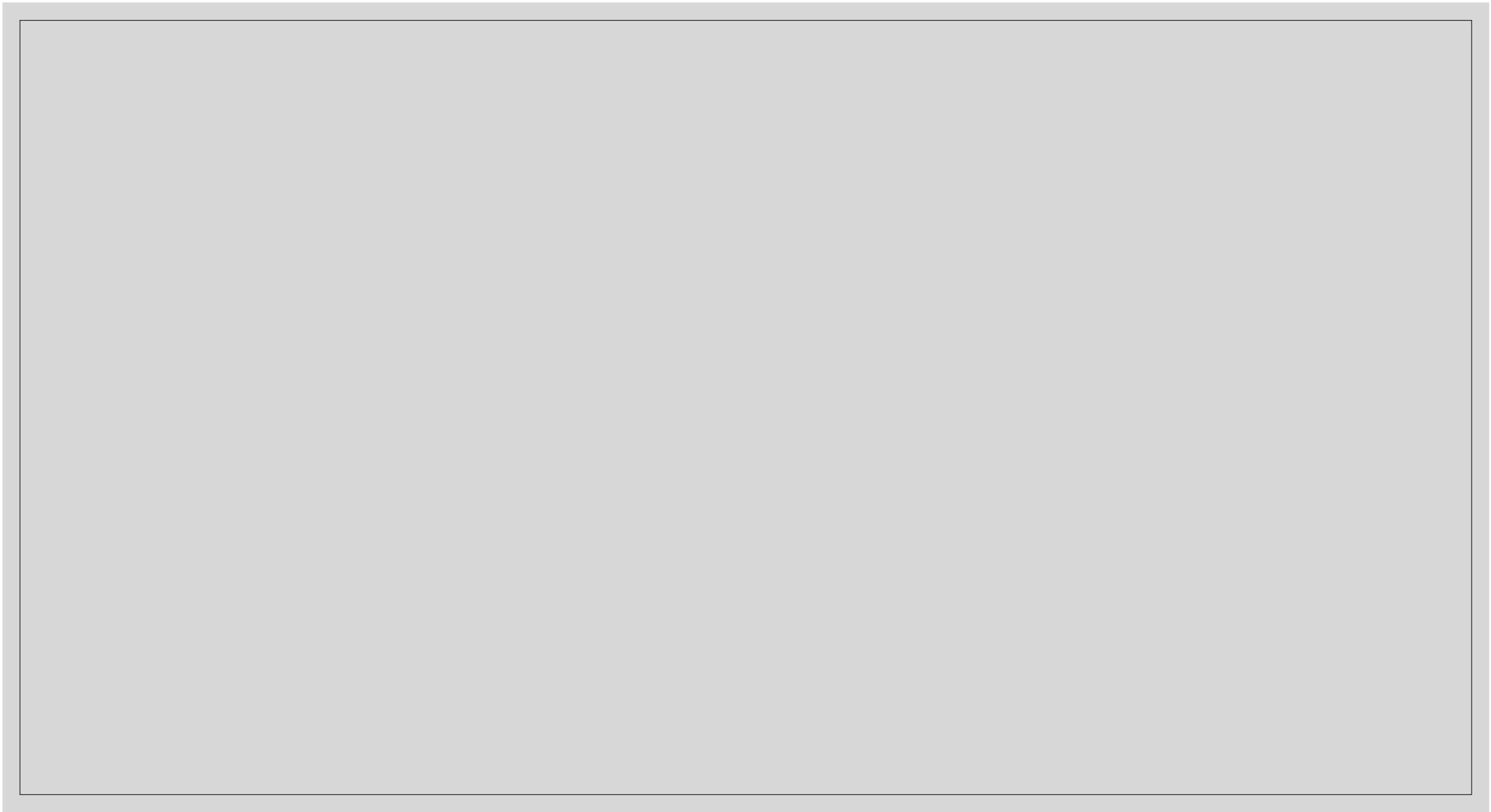
- "America has turned a corner and is embracing life – and, in doing so, is embracing a future they – and all of us – can be proud of." Carl Anderson
- The majority of Americans now understand that abortion has consequences, and that those consequences are not good."

What We *Are Told*.

- "Number of Abortions is up.
- The last year for which the CDC reported a yearly national total for abortions is 2021. It found there were 625,978 abortions in the District of Columbia and the 46 states with available data that year, up from 597,355 in those states and D.C. in 2020"
- <https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2024/03/25/>

What We *Are Told*

- Abortion in 2024
- In a [Center survey \(CDC\)](#) conducted nearly a year after the Supreme Court's June 2022 decision that [ended the constitutional right to abortion](#), 62% of U.S. adults said the practice should be legal in all or most cases, while 36% said it should be illegal in all or most cases.
- <https://www.pewresearch.org/politics/2024/05/13/broad-public-support-for-legal-abortion-persists-2-years-after-dobbs/>



What Can We Do?

- We can become informed and vote accordingly.
- We can adopt children.
- We can fund adoptions - Sacred Selections
- We can pray for and support unwed mothers

What Can We Do?

What did Jesus do? He wanted the “babies” to come unto Him (Luke 18:15).

We can “flee sexual immorality” (1 Cor. 6:18)

We can be an example of the believer (1 Tim. 4:12) in conduct

We can pray for leaders who will protect life. (1 Timothy 2:1 – 2)

What We *Know*.

- 1 Timothy 1:12 “I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service; 13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a **violent aggressor**. And yet I was shown mercy, because I **acted ignorantly in unbelief**; 14 and the **grace** of our Lord was more than **abundant**, with the faith and love which are found in Christ Jesus. 15 It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that **Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners**, among whom I am foremost of all.”

