

Pro-life Essay

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No matter what a person may argue, it is immoral to take an innocent life, especially that of one who cannot defend himself or herself. No one can argue that a fetus isn't a human being. What else could it be?

The pro-choice advocate will claim that it is a woman's choice to do what she wants with her body. That is completely true. She can get a tattoo, staple a cantaloupe to her foot, or remove a tumor from her body, as long as it is *her* body she is doing it to. Those who are pro-life say that abortion is not a matter of doing what she wants with her body. She is removing another body from hers. There is a complete separate body that she is killing. It is not possible to argue that the fetus she is removing from her body is part of her. It has completely separate set of DNA. As long as it doesn't have her DNA, it is not part of her body.

Pro-life is not a movement only affiliated with anti-abortion, it is recognized as against euthanasia, the painless killing of a patient suffering from an incurable and painful disease or in an irreversible coma. This can qualify as murder as well. These patients are humans as well. As long as you are removing the life from a human being, you are killing it. This is a tougher subject. The patients in the definitions are suffering in some cases. It can be call, "putting one out of the misery." Pope Francis claims euthanasia to be rooted in "a false sense of compassion." We cannot play God in these situations. As human beings, we always think we know the most, this is what happens in the story of Adam and Eve, when in fact we know almost nothing

Some people question the motives of those who are pro-life. "Why do you care?" they say. Well, would you care if there was a serial killer running around? Of course you would. First, you would feel the threat for your own life, and second, the empathy for the victims, and the families of the victims. The pro-life advocates feel the same sadness and obligation to help as many do when they hear of tragedy. When the terrorist attack on the twin towers happened, an outbreak of empathy and feeling of obligation to help occurred. In the Bible story of Cain and Abel, Cain asks, "Am I my brother's keeper?" God tells Cain that he is indeed. We, as members of the human race, are obligated to protect innocent life. Who are we to take away something that God has given? "It is God who gives life. Let us respect and love human life, especially vulnerable life." We should be stewards and protect what is not ours. God gave us a gift and we are obligated to protect it.