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Offerings to the Spirit of the Age

Revelation 12

Introduction: The Scariest Thing I've Ever Done for Christ

Winter of 1989-1990, abortion clinic in Brookline, MA

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MELBOURNE, Florida - Patricia Baird-Windle, founder and executive director of Aware Woman Center for Choice, has been in the national media spotlight recently. A featured guest on Good Morning America and the subject of a Rolling Stone magazine article, she has gained her notoriety through being portrayed as the embattled owner of Brevard County, Florida's only abortion clinic. Rolling Stone portrayed Windle as a suffering saint and "one of the most persecuted women in America." Local pro-lifers were painted as a movement led "almost entirely by white men" who "fit the Son of Sam profile." Media coverage hasn't been exactly unbiased.

In resisting the abortion industry in the state of Florida, some local pro-life activists have repeatedly come across statements from residents in the Melbourne area linking Patricia Baird-Windle to witchcraft. Area prolifers claim that Windle has stated: "You practice your religion and let me practice mine." When asked what her religion was, Windle is alleged to have remarked: "My religion is a holy ritual of child sacrifice."

If comments made by Windle were off-the-cuff, then most people would dismiss these allegations as the "hysteria of the religious right." However, further investigative research has shown that there is a strong connection between the Aware Woman abortion clinic and a cult of witches called Wicca. As we view the ties between the Wiccan organization and the abortion industry, the conclusion will become obvious: The promotion of abortion is not just a political issue for members of Wicca; it is part of a religious agenda - the religion of witchcraft and child sacrifice.

Four Basic Spiritual Insights about Abortion:

- 1) The abortion issue is essentially spiritual, having its roots in the devil's hatred for the human race.
- 2) The devil's attack on humanity took its most powerful form in his attempt to kill the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

- 3) Throughout history, the devil's hatred has incited people to sacrifice their own children, and the modern abortion issue is merely the 21^s century's version of this ancient practice.
- 4) Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is powerful over the devil's attacks, and will someday crush him; therefore abortion is temporary and will be defeated someday.

I. The Dark Spiritual Roots of the Abortion Issue

A. Central idea:

- 1) The abortion issue is essentially spiritual, having its roots in the devil's hatred for the human race.
 - B. Competing Visions of Root Issue
 - **Economic...** poor people who have nowhere to turn to escape the cycle of poverty; others cite the incredible amounts of money the abortion industry churns out
 - **Societal**: women feel abandoned by the men in their lives... fathers, boyfriends, husbands... or by their families in general: parents, siblings
 - **Moral:** people have lost their moorings morally and are willing to do immoral things both in terms of illicit sex and abortion because their consciences are seared
 - **Judicial**: Supreme Court justices in 1973 Roe v. Wade decision made a grievous blunder and interpreted the Constitution strangely, finding a right to privacy that never existed before the 1960s and extending it to include the right to kill the preborn... since then, liberal judges have always held enough of a majority to fend off any changes
 - **Political:** if we could just elect enough pro-life Senators and Representative, along with a sufficiently bold pro-life President, we could see the issue die
 - **Ethical:** with more and more pressure to grow human fetuses for stem-cell research and genetic experimentation, many see an ethical crisis at the root of the abortion issue; they say if we could just teach proper ethics, the problem would disappear
 - Legal: if we had enough bright pro-life lawyers, we could see radical transformation
 - **Educational:** if people simply knew the biological evidence for the personality of the preborn, how it clearly meets any definition for life you can find, then abortion would be dead in its tracks
 - **Philosophical:** people see the world strangely, in relativistic terms, as post-moderns who do not see truth as absolutes; thus abortion can be dead-wrong for someone and definitely okay for someone else

All of these and many other factors do definitely feed into the abortion issue

However, the root issue is spiritual... flowing from the devil's hatred for the human race.

- C. The Devil's History
 - 1. Created by God
 - 2. Pridefully rebellious against God

Isaiah 14:13-14 You said in your heart, "I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. ¹⁴ I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High."

3. Thrown down from his lofty position

Isaiah 14:15 But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit.

- 4. Put under an eternal death sentence
- 5. Enraged that his time is short
- 6. "Woe to the earth!"
- 7. Enticed Adam to join his rebellion
- D. Jesus' Key Assessment: "A Murderer from the beginning"

John 8:44 You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

- 1. Adam's creation in the image of God
- 2. The origin of murder: Adam's fall
- 3. The first murder: Cain attacks Abel
- 4. History of murder... devil-induced
- E. Conclusion: All Murder a Devilish Attack on the Image of God
 - 1. The devil cannot scale the heights to reach Almighty God

- 2. The devil chooses to attack God another way: through humanity
- 3. All murder is a devilish attack on the image of God
- 4. Abortion is at root a spiritual issue, a subset of the devil's hate-filled attack on the image of God
- II. The Devil's Failed Attack on the Messiah
- 2) The devil's attack on humanity took its most powerful form in his attempt to kill the Messiah, Jesus Christ.
 - A. The Devil's Judgment from God: A Serpent-Slayer... the "Seed of Woman"

Genesis 3:14-15 So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

- 1. Garden of Eden: A Word of Judgment and of Prophecy
 - a. serpent must crawl as a symbol of present humiliation
 - b. real judgment on the devil... he wants to go up, he will be thrown down
 - c. real defeat is yet future, however

he will crush your head

2. The Promised Messiah: A Serpent-Slayer

The devil's attempted alliance with the woman is destroyed

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers

Even more ominous for the devil: a serpent slayer who would one day crush his head

- 3. The "Seed of Woman"
 - a. biological offspring of humanity
 - b. a "Son of Man" and a Son of a woman
- B. The Devil's Strategy: Murder
 - 1. Cain and Abel

1 John 3:12 Do not be like Cain, who <u>belonged to the evil one and murdered</u> his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brother's were righteous.

Question: could it be that the evil one motivated Cain to murder Abel because he feared that Abel might be the serpent slayer, the "seed of woman" who would crush his head?

2. The Jewish Race in Egypt

Exodus 1:22 Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."

- 3. The Seed of David
 - a. God revealed that the Messiah would be a descendent of David
 - b. so the devil concentrated his attack on David's descendents
 - c. he induced two of them to slaughter their own children!! Ahaz and Manasseh
 - d. at one point, the Davidic line was down to one person, a little baby, and the devil was stalking him to kill him as well

2 Chronicles 22:10-11 When Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she proceeded to destroy the whole royal family of the house of Judah. ¹¹ But Jehosheba, the daughter of King Jehoram, took Joash son of Ahaziah and stole him away from among the royal princes who were about to be murdered and put him and his nurse in a bedroom. Because Jehosheba, the daughter of King Jehoram and wife of the priest Jehoiada, was Ahaziah's sister, she hid the child from Athaliah so she could not kill him.

- C. Culmination: The Slaughter of the Innocents, Matthew 2
- Matthew 2:13-18 When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." ¹⁴ So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, ¹⁵ where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son." ¹⁶ When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. ¹⁷ Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: ¹⁸ "A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."
 - 1. Hideous moment in Israel's dark history
 - 2. Wicked King Herod, jealous for his power, decides to do away with innocent babies, boys two years old and under... just to be sure he won't miss anyone

- 3. A piercing wail of agony from Jewish mothers, whose tender and precious boys were slaughtered with swords and spears to protect the jealous God-defying rage of an evil king
- 4. Human understanding is simple: Herod felt threatened and used his power to protect his interests
- 5. Simple enough... but the real issue was spiritual at its core
- 6. This was the devil's attack on the Serpent-slayer, on the seed of woman
- 7. The real jealous ruler was not Herod but Satan, the "god of this world"
- D. Whole Struggle Depicted in Revelation 12

Revelation 12:1-5 A great and wondrous sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. ² She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth. ³ Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads. ⁴ His tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that he might devour her child the moment it was born. ⁵ She gave birth to a son, a male child, who will rule all the nations with an iron scepter. And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne.

- 1. The vision is a "great and wondrous sign" in the heavenly realms
- 2. The glorious and pregnant woman represents Eve, and also Israel... ultimately fulfilled in Mary, the mother of Jesus
- 3. She is in pain and cries out, about to give birth
- 4. Another sign: the dragon
 - a. described in dreadful terms: enormous, red
 - b. seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns represent his authority and power... it is immense
 - c. it also shows his human side... the authority of the dragon on earth
 - d. his tail swept stars from the sky and flung them to the earth: the devil's sway over fallen angels, his failed rebellion against God
- 5. The dragon's central purpose: waiting to devour the seed of woman, the serpent slayer the moment he is born

- 6. The child was born successfully: Jesus Christ, who will rule over the earth with an iron scepter... He is protected by God until He fulfills His mission... crushing the serpent by His death on the cross
- III. Child Sacrifice, Past and Present: An Offering to the Spirit of the Age
- 3) Throughout history, the devil's hatred has incited people to sacrifice their own children, and the modern abortion issue is merely the 21^{*} century's version of this ancient practice.
 - A. Child Sacrifice as Demonic Worship
 - 1. Not only was Satan seeking to destroy the Messiah before he could destroy him
 - 2. The first basic state of the devil is this: "I want to be worshiped and adored as God!"
 - 3. The second basic state of the devil is this: "I hate God and want to oppose him no matter what!"
 - 4. These two come together in one act: the institution of child sacrifice
 - 5. All false religious systems are devilish at their core... deception concerning the true God, deflection concerning true worship

1 Timothy 4:1 The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.

- 6. All worship of idols is actually worship of demons:
- 1 Corinthians 10:19-21 Do I mean then that a sacrifice offered to an idol is anything, or that an idol is anything? ²⁰ No, but the sacrifices of pagans are offered to demons, not to God, and I do not want you to be participants with demons. ²¹ You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons too; you cannot have a part in both the Lord's table and the table of demons.
- Revelation 9:20 The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood-- idols that cannot see or hear or walk.
 - B. Child Sacrifice in History
 - 1. Offerings to Molech

The wicked pagan nations that Israel was to conquer were wholly given over to child sacrifice in idolatrous worship of deities like Molech and Baal

The basic idea was that the sacrifice of something so valuable and pure would win the favor of the deity and result in blessings... good harvests, wealth, good health, protection from enemies, etc.

- 2. Around the World and throughout time
- Aztecs constantly offered children to the sun god to aid the sun in rising
- Incas in Chili offered their best and most perfect children to the god Inti, also the sun god...The traditional interpretation of these children sacrifices seems to be that this act provided youth and well being for the Inca, and thereby insured the survival and health of the entire population. These sacrifices would also appease the mountain gods and provide rain and abundant food--protection and order for the population.
- The Celtic and Northern German tribes the ancestors of English and German speaking peoples were barbaric, pagan idolaters who sacrificed their own children to the Mother Goddess. Child sacrifice and abortion were practiced and were accepted as facts of everyday life the necessary consummation of rampant sexual immorality.
- In 15th century Italy, Pope Innocent VIII was so concerned about the rise of witchcraft that he commissioned Kraemer and Sprenger's famous Malleus Maleficarum, a treatise on Witchcraft. Commissioned in 1484, the treatise repeatedly links witchcraft to abortion and child sacrifice:
 "Witches who are midwives in various ways kill the child conceived in the womb and procure an abortion...." In Italy and other European countries of the Renaissance, witchcraft was repeatedly linked to the practice of child sacrifice and abortion.

Summary of attack on children:

George Grant, Third Time Around: "Virtually every culture in antiquity was stained with the blood of innocent children. Unwanted infants in ancient Rome were abandoned outside the city walls to die from exposure to the elements or from the attacks of wild foraging beasts. Greeks often gave their pregnant women harsh doses of herbal or medicinal abortifacients. Persians developed highly sophisticated surgical curette procedures. Chinese women tied heavy ropes around their waists so excruciatingly tight that they either aborted or passed into unconsciousness. Ancient Hindus and Arabs concocted chemical pessaries-abortifacients that were pushed or pumped directly into the womb through the birth canal. Primitive Canaanites threw their children onto great flaming pyres as a sacrifice to their god Molech. Polynesians subjected their pregnant women to onerous torture their abdomens beaten with large stones or hot coals heaped upon their bodies. Japanese women straddled boiling cauldrons of particidal brews. Egyptians disposed of their unwanted children by disemboweling and dismembering them shortly after birth-their collagen was then ritually harvested for the manufacture of cosmetic creams. None of the great minds of the ancient world-from Plato and Aristotle to Seneca and Quintilian, from Pythagoras and Aristophanes to Livy and Cicero, from Herodotus and Thucydides to Plutarch and Euripides-disparaged child-killing in any way. In fact, most of them actually recommended it. They callously discussed its various methods and procedures. They casually debated its sundry legal ramifications. They blithely tossed lives like dice."

- C. Child Sacrifice in Israel
 - 1. God clearly commanded the Israelites not to do this

- Leviticus 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.
- Deuteronomy 18:10 Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft
 - 2. Some Israelites defied God's command and worshiped Molech through child sacrifice
- Ezekiel 16:21 You slaughtered my children and sacrificed them to the idols.
- 2 Kings 17:17 They sacrificed their sons and daughters in the fire. They practiced divination and sorcery and sold themselves to do evil in the eyes of the LORD, provoking him to anger.
 - 3. Even some descendents of David did this, as we have seen... Ahaz and Manasseh
- 2 Kings 16:2-3 Ahaz was twenty years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem sixteen years. Unlike David his father, he did not do what was right in the eyes of the LORD his God. ³ He walked in the ways of the kings of Israel and even sacrificed his son in the fire, following the detestable ways of the nations the LORD had driven out before the Israelites.

2 Kings 21:6 [Manasseh] 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.

NOTE: Consistent link between child sacrifice and witchcraft... there has always been a strong tie between the two, even as there is today

4. God strongly denounced their actions through the prophets

Jeremiah 7:31 They have built the high places of Topheth in the Valley of Ben Hinnom to burn their sons and daughters in the fire-- something I did not command, nor did it enter my mind.

- 5. Central reason God evicted them from the Promised Land
- Jeremiah 19:3-6 'Hear the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah and people of Jerusalem. This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Listen! I am going to bring a disaster on this place that will make the ears of everyone who hears of it tingle. ⁴ For they have forsaken me and made this a place of foreign gods; they have burned sacrifices in it to gods that neither they nor their fathers nor the kings of Judah ever knew, and they have filled this place with the blood of the innocent. ⁵ They have built the high places of Baal to burn their sons in the fire as offerings to Baal-- something I did not command or mention, nor did it enter my mind. ⁶ So beware, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when people will no longer call this place Topheth or the Valley of Ben Hinnom, but the Valley of Slaughter.
 - D. Child Sacrifice Today

1. Modern witchcraft

Some abortion clinic owners and employees in the US – perhaps elsewhere too – are witches (Wiccans) and consider abortions to be **ritual child sacrifices**

2. The "Sacrament of abortion"

Judith Fetrow, a former member of Planned Parenthood and a former abortion clinic worker: "To understand Planned Parenthood, and to love your enemy and pray for them effectively, you must understand the women who work there. We were dedicated – dedicated to women's rights and dedicated to abortion. That dedication took almost a bizarre, almost religious twist. The abortion clinic was our church, abortion was the sacrament, the babies were the sacrifice. I say the clinic was our church because the clinic was where we truly worshipped women's rights and women's reproductive freedom. Reproductive freedom says to the woman, there are no consequences, there is no sin."

E. Is It Really the Devil? C.S. Lewis's Quote

C.S. Lewis: "There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight." *Screwtape Letters*

- 1. Tendency: to see every issue from the materialistic, non-spiritual side
- 2. To look at the factors I listed at the beginning and say "This is the real issue"

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Economic... Societal... Moral... Judicial... Political... Ethical... Legal...
Educational... Philosophical
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- 3. The devil is just as active in our culture as he was in the Aztecs and the Mayans and the Ammonites and the Israelites
- 4. Abortion is an offering to the spirit of the age
- IV. The Final Triumph of Jesus Christ
- 4) Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is powerful over the devil's attacks, and will someday crush him; therefore abortion is temporary and will be defeated someday.
 - A. The Infinite Power of Jesus Christ

Matthew 28:18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Ephesians 1:20-22 [God] raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet

Hebrews 1:13-14 To which of the angels did God ever say, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"? ¹⁴ Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

- B. The Relative Weakness of the Devil
 - 1. The Devil is a created being
 - 2. The Devil is a defeated being
 - 3. He knows he cannot stand before the awesome power of the Son of God
 - 4. Therefore, he knows his time is short

Revelation 12:12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short."

- C. The Past, Present, and Future Victory of Christ Over the Devil
 - 1. Past: Satan thrown from heaven

Revelation 12:7-9 And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸ But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. ⁹ The great dragon was hurled down-- that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

- 2. Past: Satan crushed at the cross and empty tomb
- Colossians 2:15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.
- Hebrews 2:14-15 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death-- that is, the devil-- ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.
 - 3. Past and Present: Christ's Kingdom advancing irresistibly
- Luke 10:17-18 The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." ¹⁸ He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven."
- Matthew 12:29 "Or again, how can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can rob his house.
- Colossians 1:13-14 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

4. Future: Christ's Second Coming and Eternal Kingdom

- 2 Thessalonians 2:8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.
- Revelation 19:11-16 I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. ¹² His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³ He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴ The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵ Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.
- Revelation 20:10 And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.
 - D. Conclusion: Abortion is Temporary
 - 1. Abortion is a wicked attack of the devil on the human race
 - 2. Abortion seems powerfully entrenched, as difficult to remove as the Himalayan Mountains
 - 3. BUT Abortion, like all the devil's work, is temporary!!!!

1 John 3:8 The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

- V. A Word of Gentle Grace
 - Every time I preach on this topic, which I feel bound by God to do as long as abortion remains legal, I am sensitive to the possibility that I am speaking directly to some whose lives have been touched personally by this issue
 - You may wonder if God's grace can ever cover your sin and restore you into a right relationship with Him
 - That is precisely why Jesus Christ came to earth... that His blood might cover all our sin and restore us to God
 - Never listen to the devil's lie as He seeks to give you over to the despair of a guilty conscience

1 Timothy 1:15 Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the worst.

VI. Application

- 1) Our struggle is not against people but against the devil's power...
- Ephesians 6:10-13 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.
 - 2) Therefore, don't hate those who oppose you on abortion; pray for them, be compassionate, but also be unyielding and courageous

It is grievous when pro-life people resort to violence or other non-Christian means to achieve the end of abortion. It is also grievous when Christians develop bitter and hateful feelings about pro-abortion people

See the issue spiritually and have a hopeful heart that present abortion advocates can in the future become past abortion advocates... this has happened again and again!!

2 Timothy 2:25-26 Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, ²⁶ and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

3) Be confident of final victory

Romans 16:20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

4) Fight a spiritual warfare using spiritual weapons

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. ⁴ The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. ⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Yes, in the end politics and logical arguments and biological proof of the humanity of the preborn and getting the right Supreme Court Justices and key legislation and presidential elections and right to life marches and Pregnancy Support Centers and ad campaigns will ALL have their role... and we must be active in each one. BUT the battle is essentially spiritual

Therefore, PRAY to the Lord concerning abortion; ask the Lord to crush the spirit of the age; He's the only one who can do it