

## *How should I talk to a pro-abortion politician?*

During an election campaign, many politicians will say almost anything to convince the electorate that they are doing the best they can for all the people. Here are a few of the comments political candidates typically make about abortion, along with some suggestions for responding to those statements.

**They say:** I am personally opposed to abortion, but can't impose my view on others.

**We say:** Excuse me, but I think you are confused. We are talking about an abortion, which results in the death of a person. We are not discussing a view, but rather a crime. Would you tell us that you personally oppose owning slaves, but would not mind if others did?

**They say:** The government has no right to interfere with a personal choice such as whether to have an abortion.

**We say:** The government has a defining role to play in society, especially with regard to defending and protecting the innocent. Therefore, the government has a moral responsibility to make sure that every child who is conceived is protected from criminal acts like abortion that will result in a violent death. What if I asked you about assaults like rape and robbery? Would you tell me that a citizen has a personal choice to make and the

government should not have laws to punish the individual who "chooses" to rape or rob someone?

**They say:** Sure, I'm pro-life; I only favor abortion in cases of rape, incest and when the life of the mother is threatened.

**We say:** Every time an abortion occurs, a child dies. If the father of that child is a criminal, prosecute him—not the baby, who will wind up dead.

And when the life of the mother is alleged to be threatened because of her baby, we all know that ethical, moral doctors act to save both patients; they never intend to kill one of them.

So if you really want people to support you because you are consistent in your public policy positions, then please be consistent when it comes to abortion.

To concede that even one baby's

life may be taken is to agree that killing the innocent is sometimes permissible.

Help your local, state and federal politicians see the facts. Talk to them. Write to them. Pray for them. Vote consistently for life.

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