**SERMON SHEET 1/22/23**

**Sanctity of Life Sunday**

**“Being Pro-Life in a Post-Roe World”**

**Scripture: Genesis 1:26-27**

**OUTLINE**

I. Introduction

II. A time to mourn

III. A time to rejoice

IV. A time to persevere

V. A time to remember

VI. Conclusion – some final thoughts

**QUOTES**

1. Tom Ascol:

*It was the right decision before both the law of God—“You shall not murder”—and before the Constitution of the United States—“No State shall…deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the law.” By reversing Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court has properly carried out its duty to at least begin the process of restoring equal protection under the law for the most vulnerable among us—unborn babies.*

2. Dean Nelson:

*Recently, I’ve seen fewer headlines about firebombed pregnancy centers. Thank God, too—no news is good news. Yet, we shouldn’t be fooled into thinking pro-life organizations are safer than they were this summer. If anything, the hostility towards pregnancy centers has escalated since last summer’s overturning of* Roe v Wade *and a commitment on the part of pro-abortion advocates to unleash a “Summer of Rage.”*

*Violent attacks on the centers themselves remain unprosecuted, despite the FBI’s feeble claims that they’re being investigated and its apparent enthusiasm for prosecuting pro-life advocates.*

*Just this month, screaming pro-abortion protesters interrupted a fundraiser for a D.C. pregnancy center a half dozen times. Women at the event were testifying how the center served them and saved their child, but these protesters treated them as collateral damage in their attack.*

*In addition, multiple legislative items have been introduced with the intent to intimidate and silence these centers. The “Stop Anti-Abortion Disinformation Act,” or SAD, explicitly recruits the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to target and stifle the activity of pregnancy centers. For anyone paying attention, this action requires the collusion between the government and Big Tech to stifle speech at odds with the First Amendment.*

3. Star Parker:

*Pew Research reports that, in Dobbs, the Supreme Court ruled to "end the constitutional right to abortion." National Public Radio reported last June that the court reversed Roe v. Wade, "declaring that the constitutional right to abortion, upheld for nearly a half century, no longer exists."*

**SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE TEXTS:**

* **Eccl. 3:4**
* **Job 31:13-15; Ps. 139:13-16; Jer. 1:5**
* **Rom. 2:15; Eccl. 7:29**