

Sanctity of Life Sunday 2026

“Perplexed and Sorrowful, but Not Driven to Despair and Always Rejoicing”

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:7-8

I. Introduction

II. Some things that perplex me and cause me sorrow

1. The blatant ignoring of the “signs of life”
2. The glaring and irrational inconsistencies in our society
3. The ignorant notion that an unborn baby is part of the mother’s body
4. The rape and incest exemptions
5. The ungodly elevation of “the right to choose”
6. The hostile resistance to photographic images
7. The “passive avoidance ethic” that abounds in Christ’s church
8. Those who are “personally opposed to abortion” but support the “right to choose”

III. Why I am not driven to despair but always rejoicing

1. We do not despair because we are chosen by Him before the foundation of the world.
2. We do not despair because God will make His enemies Christ’s footstool.
3. We rejoice over the gift of our own children.

V. Conclusion – some final thoughts

1. What makes human life meaningful?
2. Who else is perishing?

QUOTES

1. An “abortion abolitionist”:

We’re not going to celebrate or praise a court that says to the states: “You have the right to go murder your children if your people decide that.”

2. Adam Carrington:

Final victory is far from won. Let us have the courage to confront the wolves of abortion advocacy, even as we love and pray for them.

3. Randy Alcorn:

- *We can’t be uniformly pro-choice or anti-choice. Rather, we must be pro-good and anti-evil.*
- *... we aren’t opposing a right; we are opposing a wrong ... By opposing abortion we are not opposing choice in general, we are opposing one choice in particular – child-killing.*
- *Some imagine that being personally opposed to abortion while believing others have the right to choose it, is some kind of compromise between the pro-abortion and pro-life positions. It isn’t. Pro-choice people vote the same way as pro-abortion people... Being personally against abortion but favoring another’s right to abortion is self-contradictory.*

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

- **Jn. 15:11; Jn. 16:33; Jn. 14:1-3**
- **Eph. 5:11**
- **Eph. 1:3-6**
- **Ps. 110; Heb. 10:13; Rev. 19:11-16**
- **Jn. 16:21; Ps. 127:3**
- **Gen. 1:26**