



Christian Voices for Life

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After Roe: What Will Women Do?



Education: If Roe v Wade is overturned, some states will allow abortion to remain legal, and little will immediately change. Some states, including Texas, however, will immediately ban abortions, having been prevented from doing so for 49 years by that federal mandate. So what will women in those states do when they experience an unwanted pregnancy? Some women who are able to do so will travel to other states to obtain them. **Some will get pills online for a dangerous home abortion on their own.** A few doctors will defy the law and perform them illegally.

But for many women, especially those who don't want the abortion anyway, will simply concentrate on finding the help they need to have their baby. **Pregnancy centers will still be needed to help those women.** Pregnant women will continue to be abandoned by their partners or parents, lose jobs, and feel the necessity to drop out of school. They may need help to be open to the possibility of adoption as a positive parenting plan rather than seeing it as an abandonment of their child.

Many donors to pregnancy centers focus on the fact that the centers save babies from abortion. But the staff and volunteers who work at the center know their job is really about helping women. Abortion has always caused serious harm to mothers as well as babies. It is the women that they deal with and support. Pro-abortion advocates have long claimed that pro-lifers only care about the baby, not about the woman. That is shown to be false by all the ways that pregnancy centers and others support pregnant women and single moms well beyond the birth of the baby- and how they continue to help when abortion is illegal.

Over time, women will hopefully change behavior to reduce unwanted pregnancies, knowing that abortion is not there as an option. Time will also hopefully show that women in states where abortion is illegal are able to find the help they need, and as the number of post-abortive women in the state declines, declines may also be seen in the destructive consequences of the trauma of abortion, helping other states to realize that abortion has never been the benefit it was claimed to be.



Prayer Dear Father God, please rain down your grace on everyone in the United States who does not understand that abortion not only kills a child but deeply wounds both mothers and fathers. Please lead the Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade in 2022 and begin the process of ending abortion in our nation. Help women in states where abortion is no longer legal to find the help they need, with donors continuing to support pregnancy centers and other assistance for single moms. Help those in other states be more open to the truth of the value of life in the womb and the destructive nature of abortion.



Action: If you are a supporter of a pregnancy center, please continue your support even if abortion becomes illegal. Remember that women will still be tempted or coerced to get pills online, travel to other states, or even access illegal abortion. Many pregnant women will still need help to cope with a pregnancy that will change her life and threaten her ability to meet her own needs as well as her child's.