

Culture of Death

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Where have we seen an increase in euthanasia?

From the time when Canada decriminalized “medical assistance in dying” (MAID) in 2016 until the end of 2022, MAID had claimed 44,958 Canadian lives.

- A truer term for MAID is SHAM: “sanctioned homicide actualized medically
- In physician-assisted suicide (PAS), a health care practitioner prescribes lethal drugs for a person to self-administer.
- In euthanasia, a medical worker personally kills another human.

Assisted dying in some form is legal in the Netherlands, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Switzerland, Spain, Germany, Austria, all the six states in Australia” and 11 jurisdictions in the US.

Democrat states are nationalizing euthanasia in America

Left-wing states like Oregon and Vermont are removing residency requirements for euthanasia, allowing people to travel from anywhere to end their lives within their borders.

https://www.lifesitenews.com/blogs/democrat-states-nationalizing-euthanasia/?utm_source=most_recent&utm_campaign=usa

What evidence is there besides euthanasia trends that there is a culture of death in this world?

- There is a lot of violence depicted in the media.
- Overpopulation is seen as the great threat for earth.
- Medical practitioners are abandoning the Hippocratic oath and Informed Consent of the Nuremberg Code
- Abortion is also a big part of the Culture of Death...

Bill Maher reveals the grim truth of what pro-abortion leftists really think

A video of Bill Maher’s recent comments on abortion has gone viral, and it’s fascinating because Maher is honest and tells us what abortion advocates really feel and think. First, he recognizes that “abortion is murder.”

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First, he recognizes that “abortion is murder.” Abortion is murder. It is the murder of an innocent human being made in the image and likeness of God.

Second, he recognizes that the only credible position against abortion is to oppose all abortions. This is because every baby is equally loved by God and of equal value in the sight of God. It doesn’t matter whether the unborn baby is one minute, eight weeks, or eight months old. It doesn’t matter how they were conceived. All human beings are of equal value. They all deserve to be protected.

Third, he admits that the pro-abortion lobby are lying when they accuse pro-lifers of “hating women.” He frankly acknowledges that the left just “made it up.” He recognizes that pro-lifers “don’t hate women” and are just people who want to stop babies being murdered.

Fourth, he admits that people who support abortion know that it’s murder and they are “okay with it.” They know perfectly well that they are killing babies, and they are fine with that. They think there are more important things than loving and protecting human life. They think that “sexual liberation” is more important than protecting babies, or that keeping mothers working to produce wealth for others is more important than love.

Fifth, he acknowledges that the population control agenda is another major reason why they kill babies on an industrial scale. Maher justifies the murder of babies on the basis that “there are eight billion people in the world.”

How does SHAM depart from the concepts of Hippocratic medicine?

The story of euthanasia in Western medicine begins in pre-Christian Greece. The taking of poison was the commonest means of suicide in ancient Greece, and the physician was asked to assist.

- In response, the Hippocratic oath forbade physicians from administering or suggesting lethal drugs, even upon request.

What role did the theory of evolution play in the embrace of mercy killing?

In 1859, Charles Darwin published *On the Origin of Species*, popularizing evolution. Drawing from Darwinian concepts Samuel Williams kindled the modern euthanasia controversy in 1870 by penning an essay that defended “mercy killing.”

- In 1883, Darwin’s cousin Francis Galton launched the term eugenics attempting to improve humanity by promoting or preventing births of infants with favorable or unfavorable traits, respectively.
- The Nazis launched an involuntary euthanasia program targeting disabled persons. Ultimately, Germany’s euthanasia campaign was the “signal point of departure” from Western Hippocratism.

How do the proponents of SHAM justify their mercy killing?

Euthanasia is promoted as a viable means of solving various social and financial problems

- (1) the “compassionate” relief of suffering;
- (2) radical autonomy, expressed as the “right” to control one’s own life and death; and
- (3) the avoidance of “undignified” dependence on others. These three reasons further comprise an overall appeal to...
- (4) a concern for “quality of life.”

What is the problem with the compassion argument?

If patients are not believers, SHAM is the least compassionate solution. If they are believers, they need “the comfort and encouragement of the gospel,” not the assent that their lives are no longer worth living.

God’s purposes are made known through suffering.

Ecclesiastes 7:14 – When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider: God has made the one as well as the other

Romans 5:3 teaches that tribulations bring about perseverance. God cares about those who cry out for death and wish to end their suffering.

- God gives purpose in life even to the end.
- Only God knows what is best, and His timing, even in the matter of one’s death, is perfect.

What is the problem with the autonomy argument?

The truth that we are created, embodied, relational beings dependent on God and others contradicts the narrative of humans as isolated wills with absolute rights over their own fates.

- God has the final say over death (see 1 Corinthians 15:26, 54–56; Hebrews 2:9, 14–15; Rev 21:4).
- Euthanasia and assisted suicide are man’s attempts to usurp that authority from God.

The overriding truth that God is sovereign drives us to the conclusion that euthanasia and assisted suicide are wrong.

Ecclesiastes 8:8 – No man has power over the wind to contain it; so no one has power over the day of his death.

What is the problem with the fear of losing dignity argument?

A biblical view helps us see that love displaces fear...

1 John 4:18 – There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear

Depending on others is a natural, human way of receiving love, and that our dignity exists essentially in our value as God’s image bearers.

- Even under undignified circumstances, this dignity cannot be erased.

What is the problem with the quality-of-life argument?

Job’s account reminds us that even when our lives seem like photographs drained of color, our Creator sees a different picture.

- By trusting him as Job did, we lean on God’s infinite understanding rather than on our own painfully limited perspectives.
- “death with dignity” is still death,
- “assisted suicide” is still suicide, and suicide is murder.

What should replace mercy killing?

Policymakers and individual Christians must reject the idea of homicide as health care and instead promote strong palliative care, spiritual care, pain control, disability support, and aid for caregivers.

What is the problem with the “culture of death?”

The focus on death as an answer to the world’s problems is a total reversal of the biblical model where death is an enemy...

1 Corinthians 15:26 – *The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.*

Life is a sacred gift from God...

Genesis 2:7 – *the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being*

When given the choice between life and death, God told Israel to “choose life” (Deuteronomy 30:19).

- Euthanasia spurns the gift and embraces the curse.

How should we view a related issue of taking extraordinary means to prolong life?

We should never seek to prematurely end a life, but neither must we go to extraordinary means to preserve a life. To actively hasten death is wrong; to passively withhold treatment can also be wrong; but to allow death to occur naturally in a terminally ill person is not necessarily wrong.

- Anyone facing this issue should pray to God for wisdom (James 1:5).

From where does the culture of death come?

John 8:44 – *You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him.*

Satan introduced murder into humanity when he inspired Adam and Eve to disobey God and thus suffer death as a consequence.

- Satan continues to promote death because He is the enemy of God and consequently hates God’s image bearers.

What is the prophetic significance of the culture of death?

The culture of death is a symptom of the spirit of the Age...

Matthew 24:12 – *because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold*

This love growing cold will be the reason for perilous times (2 Timothy 3:1) and will be manifested in wholesale murder...

Revelation 9:21 – *And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.*

God will remove His restraint of evil for the Tribulation (2 Thessalonians 2:7) so there will be a lot of death during the Tribulation...

Isaiah 13:12 – *I will make a mortal more rare than fine gold*

All the current efforts to promote death just sets the stage for the Tribulation.

- Globalists want to reduce the population under the auspices of fighting Global Warming but the real reason is that fewer people are easier to control.

Increasing death from all causes is a birth pang...

Matthew 24:22 – *unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened*

What applications do we see from this discussion?

The growing culture of death is a sign of the times setting the stage for the Tribulation.