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Between two worlds

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“BURDENED FOR LIFE”



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This week marks the 48th anniversary of the landmark Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision. It also marks my son's birthday.

It was a cold, clear Saturday when my only son, Cooper, was born. He arrived early afternoon. The delivery was way easier than our first experience in the birth center, and we were thankful. I still smile when I think of my wife saying, "He was good to his mama from the very start."

I remember holding him in my arms that January afternoon. I had forgotten how small children are when they arrive. I couldn't stop looking at him. His eyes, ears, fingers and toes, each part of him so intricately designed.

"My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth." (Ps. 139:15)

That afternoon I had something of an epiphany: loving the life of my son, also required me to love the lives of all children. It required me to defend the lives of all children. This is part of my calling.

And yours too.

I had always believed this, but it became a burden on my heart that day.

The reality is that it should be a burden on all of our hearts. All life comes from God. An assault on any life made in God's image, is a direct assault on God himself.

The great tragedy is not that there have been an estimated 59,902,500 abortions since 1973*, but that 1 unique child, made in the image and likeness of God, has been killed 59,902,500 times.

We need to let this sink in. We need to pray for a heart that grieve over what grieves the heart of God.

We need to ask for a heart that is burdened with the things that burden God's heart.

Then live accordingly.

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* https://www.grrtl.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Abortion_US.pdf