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COUNTER CULTURE

FOLLOWING CHRIST
IN AN ANTI-CHRISTIAN AGE

Modern Holocaust: The Gospel and Abortion

Class Schedule

Aug 8 Introduction & The Greatest Offense: The Gospel and Culture
Matt Linebarger

Aug 15 Where Rich and Poor Collide: The Gospel and Poverty
Tim Yates

Aug 22 Modern Holocaust: The Gospel and Abortion
Matt Linebarger

Aug 29 The Lonely in Families: The Gospel and Orphans and Widows
Tim Yates

Sep 5 A War on Women: The Gospel and Sex Slavery
Matt Linebarger

Sep 12 A Profound Mystery: The Gospel and Marriage
Gary Matlack

Sep 19 Bought with a Price: The Gospel and Sexual Morality
Michael Lovelace



Class Schedule

- Sep 26 **Unity in Diversity: The Gospel and Ethnicity**
Tim Yates
- Oct 3 **Unprecedented Crisis: The Gospel and Refugees**
Matt Linebarger
- Oct 10 **Christ in the Public Square: The Gospel and Religious Liberty**
Tim Yates
- Oct 17 **A World of Pride: The gospel and the LGBTQ+ Community**
Mark Trigsted
- Oct 24 **Unholy Allegiance: The Christian and Politics**
Matt Linebarger
- Oct 31 **Let's Risk It All/Q&A**
Matt Linebarger & Tim Yates



Review & Clarification



Regarding Class Discussion

- #1 God and His Word Are Central
- #2 Everyone Participates (if they want to)
- #3 No One Dominates
- #4 Be Respectful



Levels of Belief

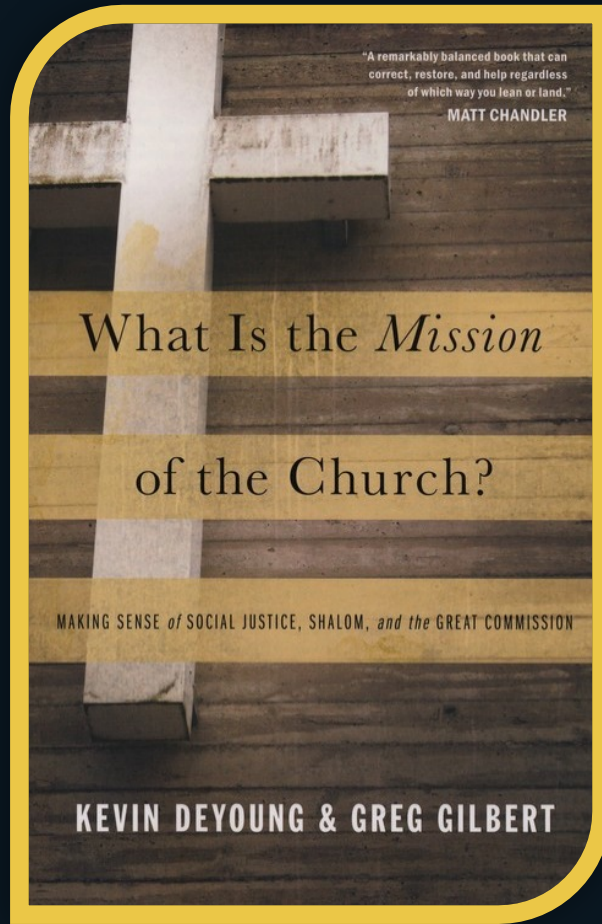
CONVICTIONS

PERSUASIONS

OPINIONS



What ARE We Doing?



“The mission of the church is to go into the world and make disciples by declaring the gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Spirit and gathering these disciples into churches, that they might worship and obey Jesus Christ now and in eternity to the glory of God the Father.”

Kevin DeYoung & Greg Gilbert
What Is the Mission of the Church?



What ARE We Doing?

What is the purpose of the particular/local church?

1 Make Disciples

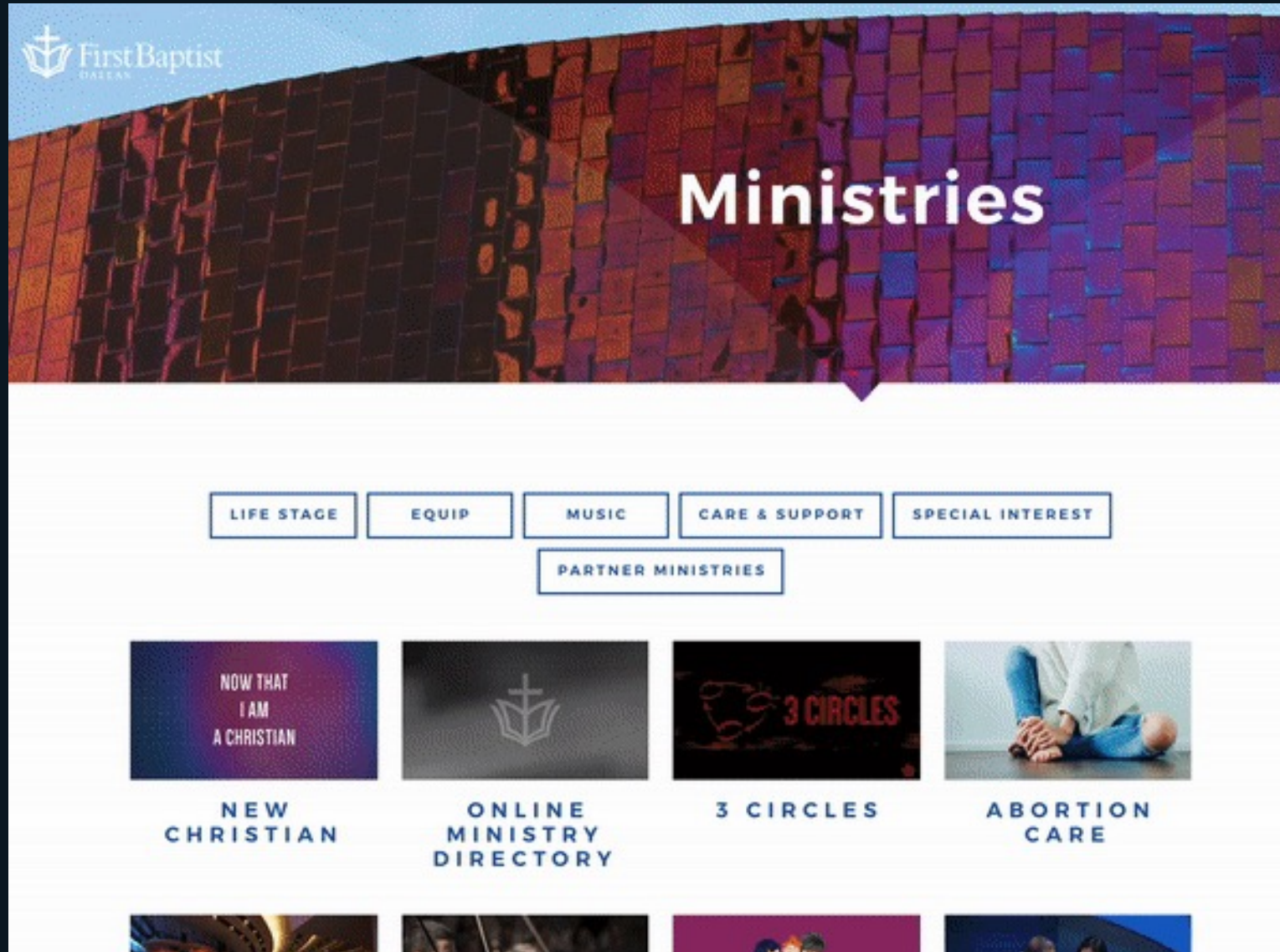
Matthew 28:16-20

2 Equip Saints

Ephesians 4:11-14



What AREN'T We Doing?



Four Methods of Engaging the Culture

1 We Conform

2 We Check Out

3 We Combat

4 We Counter



Modern Holocaust:
The Gospel and Abortion



Nothing Controversial Here

Abortion: The Bottom Line

1

It is sin.

2

It is evil.

3

It is murder.

4

It is a terrible tragedy
for everyone involved.



Nothing Controversial Here

Psalm 139:13–14 ^{ESV}

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

Jeremiah 1:4–6 ^{ESV}

Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth.”



Nothing Controversial Here

Psalm 127:3–5 ^{ESV}

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

Genesis 1:27 ^{ESV}

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.



What The World Thinks

Planned Parenthood - Moving Beyond

Pro-Life vs. Pro-Choice Labels

Link to Video: <https://youtu.be/Um35n3b99qQ>



What The World Thinks

Bill Nye Slams Anti-Abortion Activists

Link to Video: <https://youtu.be/KaQCqFI94OY>



The Grim Facts

70 % of Women Who Get Abortions Identify as Christians

Every 30 seconds a baby's life is taken by abortion.

Approximately 18 % of U.S. pregnancies ended in abortion.

620,000 legal abortions were reported in the US in 2018.

1 in 4 women under the age of 45 have had an
abortion.



The Need for the Gospel



“Abortion is an affront to God's authority as Creator, an assault on God's work in creation, and an attack on God's relationship with the unborn. Once we realize the severity of abortion before God, the implications of the gospel for abortion become clear.”

David Platt



Our Counter Culture Options

Proclaim the Truth

Proverbs 24:10–12: If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small. Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, “Behold, we did not know this,” does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it, and will he not repay man according to his work?



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Love The Hurting

2 Corinthians 1:3-4: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.



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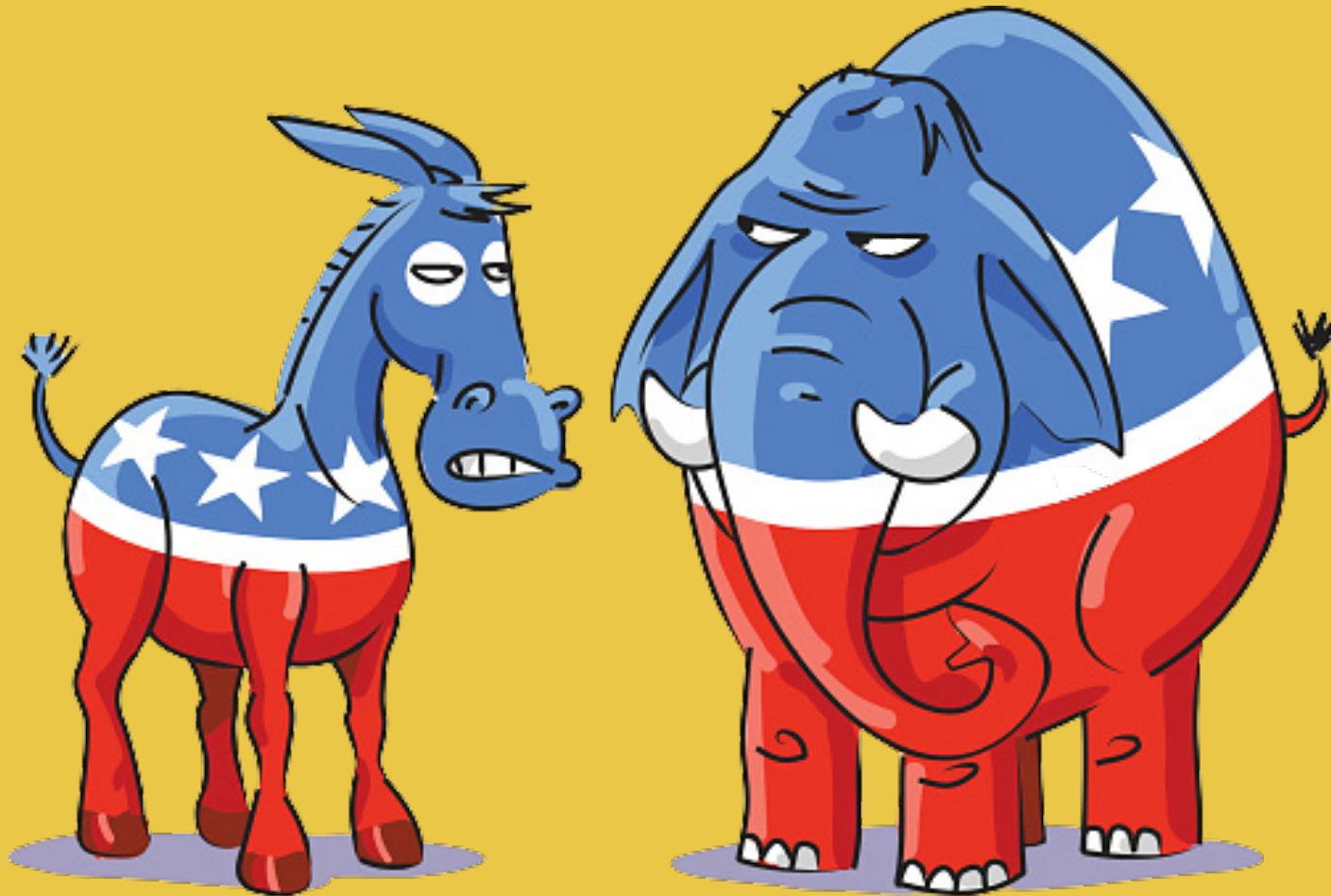
Participate Where Led

Prayerfully consider taking these steps:

- **Write to your representatives in Congress and clearly and respectfully lay out why abortion in this country must stop.**
- **Work with ministries or participate in events that seek to uphold the value of unborn human life.**
- **Volunteer with a crisis pregnancy center to aid in their work of showing women in desperate situations that there are options other than abortion.**



The Elephant (and Donkey) in the Room



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Participate Where Led

There are roughly 1 million abortion-determined women in the U.S. each year. The abortion industry purposefully targets and exploits them so they believe abortion is their only option. There has been no rescue system—until now. Human Coalition is building a pro-life, holistic, comprehensive care network to help rescue these women and their children from abortion.



HUMAN
COALITION

Rescuing Children. Serving Families.



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Hope Women's Center is a non-profit pregnancy medical clinic serving Collin County and the surrounding North Dallas area. By affirming the life of the preborn child, we provide medical and educational services to women in unplanned pregnancies, and those who significantly influence them, by encouraging Christ-centered, life-affirming and healthy lifestyle decisions.

The logo for Hope Women's Center is displayed within a white rounded rectangle with a dark blue border. The word "Hope" is written in a large, elegant, dark green cursive font. Below it, the words "WOMEN'S CENTER" are written in a smaller, dark green, all-caps sans-serif font, with "WOMEN'S" and "CENTER" separated by a vertical line.

Hope
WOMEN'S CENTER



Our Counter Culture Options

Pray

Petition the Lord to:

- **End the injustice of abortion in our country and around the world.**
- **Forgive you for whatever part you have played in abortion.**
- **Convict those in positions of power to use their influence to end abortion.**

