

“Morning Joe” Scarborough, cable news and talk radio host, claims that Jesus does not care about abortion. The self-proclaimed “backslidden Baptist” urges us to “do something (we) probably haven’t done for awhile...open up the Bible and read the red letters.” His position is that “Jesus never once talked about abortion. Never once. And it was happening back in ancient times. It was happening back in his time. Never once mentioned it” (LifeNews, 9/9). Does Joe honestly think that abortions were taking place under Jesus’ apathetic nose?

This could also be said about “rape,” “incest,” “slavery,” “human trafficking,” “drug trafficking,” “racism,” or (according to the Babylon Bee) “felony home invasion.” These were certainly happening in Jesus’ day and he didn’t mention these specifically, either. (I dusted off my Bible just to make sure.) Can we assume, based on Joe’s reasoning, that these are also morally neutral activities? Jesus did bring up murder, though, more than once (as in, don’t do it). If the vast majority of biologists are to be believed, and human life begins at conception, then abortion would logically go in the “murder” category.

The irony here is that the very thing that Joe criticizes us for doing, using the Bible to defend our position, has become trendy for high-profile pro-choicers (LifeNews, 10/12).

- *Georgia Gubernatorial Candidate Stacey Abrams* recently preached to a Baptist congregation that she comes from faith and it is her faith that tells her that she should assert her right to choose what to do with her own body. (She has also cited abortion as a solution for inflation (Life News, 10/19) and the fetal heartbeat as a patriarchal tool to suppress women, so she has a gift for spouting nonsense.)
- *Senator Raphael Warnock* said, “I trust women in their wisdom and their ability to sit with their own God, and if they choose, choose to sit with their pastor, to pray about that and let their own conscience guide them. Even God gave us a choice.” (Yes, but choices have consequences, and free will does not equal carte blanche absolution. And by the way, there is no “own God.” There is one God who does not change his moral stance in accordance with our “wisdom.”)
- *Governor Gavin Newsom* quoted Mark 12:31, “Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no greater commandment than these,” on a billboard campaign launched in pro-life states to encourage women to go to California for an abortion.
- *House Speaker Nancy Pelosi* played the sin card (how convenient) when she said, “The fact that this is such an assault on women of color and women—lower income families is just sinful. It’s sinful. It’s wrong that they would be able to say to women what they think women should be doing with their lives and their bodies. But it’s sinful, the injustice of it all.”



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