

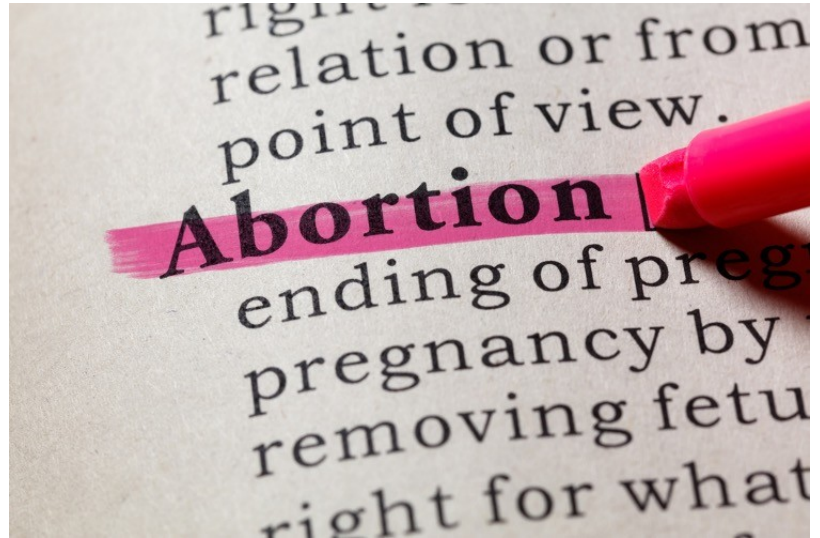


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## Abortion Isn't Progressive. It's Regressive.

In the aftermath of various state and local elections throughout the country on Tuesday, the mainstream media have a new spin that they're pushing with utmost zeal: Not only were the off-year elections overwhelmingly a victory for Democrats; they were a victory for the pro-abortion movement.

*Politico* was rife with articles selling this narrative from various angles. For instance, [one piece](#), authored by Alice Miranda Ollstein, looks at Ohio, where voters on Tuesday approved a ballot initiative that enshrines abortion rights in the state's constitution.



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“The results follow a long, bitter and expensive campaign that shows the continuing resonance of the issue more than a year after *Roe v. Wade* was overturned and the strength of ballot measures as a tool for advancing abortion rights in GOP-dominated states,” Ollstein writes.

[Another](#) *Politico* piece further notes of Ohio, “The unofficial results also suggest that the counties with the highest turnout in Tuesday’s election were actually jurisdictions that had favored Trump in 2020. The victory for Yes on Issue 1 was not driven by remarkable Democratic turnout — but by a significant share of voters in Republican-leaning counties casting their ballots for abortion rights.”

Stein also argues that Republicans’ opposition to abortion led to their downfall in states such as Kentucky — where Democratic Gov. Andy Beshear won his reelection bid — and Virginia — where Gov. Glenn Youngkin not only failed to lead Republicans to control of the state Senate, but also lost the House.

The talk within Republican circles is now much like the talk that went around [earlier this year](#) after the defeat of Republican Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate Daniel Kelly. The consensus among the Establishment — be it in Republican or Democratic circles — is that abortion is overwhelmingly popular among the American people, especially among young people and women, and Republicans will continue to lose in the post-*Roe* world so long as they continue to champion the cause of children in the womb.

As is so often the case with leftists, talking heads who advance this narrative act as though history did not exist prior to the current moment in time. They want us to believe that the vast majority of the American people are pro-abortion.

The question to ask in response is, “How? Where did all of these allegedly pro-abortion people suddenly come from?”

After all, the pro-life movement is not new. It has been a standard agenda item in Republican politics for decades now — and in all that time Republicans have proven capable of winning local, state, and presidential elections on that platform.

Establishment pundits are saying that the reversal of *Roe v. Wade* is responsible for sparking a wave of



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pro-abortion voting patterns. Such thinking ignores the fact that *Roe* was only ultimately killed because there was such a strong pro-life movement that contributed to Republican victories in Congress and in the White House (President Trump ran as a staunch pro-life candidate in 2016).

Think about it: Only a few years ago, the pro-life movement in America was big enough to achieve the election of a president and Senate who vowed (and then followed through on the promise) to appoint and confirm Supreme Court justices committed to killing *Roe*. And the movement had enough numbers to also elect pro-life officeholders in Republican states who were poised to outlaw abortion in their respective jurisdictions the moment *Roe* was gone.

So where did all of these voters go? Did all of the pro-life Americans magically vanish the moment *Roe* was repealed and get replaced by pro-abortion people?

Clearly, there are other factors to explore in order to properly assess the current political situation and explain the trends. But, of course, the mainstream media aren't interested in examining what's really affecting Republican turnout — because they already have their narrative determined.

One of the greatest lies being pushed by the Establishment with regard to abortion is that it, like everything else the Left favors, is ostensibly “progressive.”

Nothing could be further from the truth. Abortion isn't progressive. It's *regressive*.

Tragically, infanticide in various forms has been all too common throughout the world for most of history. Most past societies placed little value on the lives of children, who were seen as disposable and voiceless. The killing of undesired infants by their parents was the cultural norm in the Greco-Roman world, for example.

Christianity is the force that, among other civilizing influences on the European kingdoms, brought an end to the wanton murder of children. The value of children and the responsibility of protecting them is one of the hallmarks of the Christian religion.

In Luke 17:2, Jesus says, “It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.”

And in Matthew 19:14, Jesus declares, “Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.”

In the West, Christianity and civilization have gone hand-in-hand. And protecting the lives of children is one of the chief traits of a civilized society.

The legalization of abortion, then, is not progress; it is a departure from civilized Christendom and a regression to barbarism.



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