"I determined I was suffering from an affliction of the spirit; the disorder had arisen from an excess of existential freedom... I had been cast adrift in a limitless sea of sensual freedom – no sextant, no compass, no charts, simply the dimly apprehended stars of the prevailing penal code, an imitative grasp of the manners and mores of society; a minimalist concept of justice, and stultified sense of decency...

I required not a cure, but healing."

The Hand of God, p. 189

"How can these [Operation Rescue protesters] give of themselves in the bitter cold and wind and against such antagonistic opposition for a constituency which is mute, invisible, and unable to thank them?"

The Hand of God, p. 192

"For the first time in my entire adult life, I began to entertain seriously the notion of God The thought violated every 18th century certainty I had cherished; it instantly converted my past into a vile bog of sin and evil; it indicted me and convicted me of high crimes against those who had loved me, and against those whom I did not even know; and simultaneously – miraculously – it held out a shimmering sliver of Hope to me, in the growing belief that Someone had died for my sins and my evil two millennia ago."

The Hand of God, p. 193



of how I deceived America
but also deliver
this special message:
Tell them the co-founder
of NARAL says,
"Love another.
Abortion is not love.
STOP THE KILLING!
The world needs more love.
I'm all about love now. 99

Dr. Nathanson to Terry Beatley Interview Dec. 1, 2009



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Quotes from America's Abortion King

The Expert Speaks

Bernard N. Nathanson, MD

As Medical Director for NARAL, the leading abortion lobbying group in the United States in the 1970's, **Bernard Nathanson**, **MD**, **knew the reality of abortion better than anyone**. He claimed responsibility for 75,000 abortions and trained Planned Parenthood doctors in what became a billion dollar per year industry. His radical conversion to the pro-life position makes Dr. Nathanson's a voice to be heard.

Law & Ethics

"The judgements of the Supreme Court were never meant to be infallible or eternal. And what if we've been wrong — if the Court should soon reverse itself in light of changing times and/or new scientific evidence? What an incalculable injustice will have been perpetrated. What an immeasurable, irretrievable loss will have been suffered."

From Nathanson's resignation letter to NARAL Board of Directors dated: January 22, 1975

"I believe the abortion ethic is fatally and forever flawed by the immorality of the means of its victory A political victory achieved by such odious tactics is at best an unstable tyranny spawned by an unscrupulous and unprincipled minority.... I believe that an America which permits a junta of moral thugs to foist an evil of incalculable dimensions upon it, and continues to permit that evil to flower, creates for itself a deadly legacy: a millennium of shame."

The Abortion Papers, p. 209

"As I look back across the twenty-five years separating me from that revolting extravaganza playing itself out on the bodies of pregnant women and their slaughtered babies, I am struck by the uncritical nature of the task we had set for ourselves, by the moral and spiritual vacuum at the core of this operation, by our unquestioned certainty of the high level of moral rectitude on which we operated. Yes, [abortion] was so obviously sordid. Why couldn't we make the link between the ethical and the moral, between shoddy practices and shabby practitioners, the evident greed and callous motives, between the crassness of the enterprise and those involved in it, between all these ethical indicators and the grotesque immorality of the act itself?"

The Hand of God, p. 109



Fetology

"We have opened up the whole life of the fetus for study and, of course, those studies have finally culminated in a growing realization that the fetus is entirely similar — identical— to any of us, and a member of the human community; and, as a result, all the rights, privileges and protections we are afforded should, of course, flow to that person, that prisoner in the womb for nine months."

Canadian CHCH Television

Nathanson/ Morgentaler Debate, Jan. 1983

"We must courageously face the fact -finally--that human life of a special order is
being taken. And since the vast majority of
pregnancies are carried successfully to term,
abortion must be seen as the interruption of
the process that would otherwise have
produced a citizen of the world. Denial of this
reality is the crassest kind of moral
evasiveness."

Aborting America, p. 165

"It's curious, that in no other branch of medicine that I know of, do we bring to bear expensive and increasingly sophisticated technology for diagnosis of the patient's illness or disorder only, thereupon, to eradicate it—not the *illness*, but the *patient*."

Canadian CHCH Television

Nathanson/ Morgentaler Debate, Jan. 1983

Abortion

"I know the abortion issue as perhaps no one else does. I know every facet of abortion. I was one of its accoucheurs; I helped nurture the creature in its infancy by feeding it great draughts of blood and money; I guided it through its adolescence as it grew fecklessly out of control.... I helped usher in this barbaric age."

The Hand of God, p. 3-4

Giving abortion just the barest patina of a medical judgment made it infinitely more acceptable and politically more palatable. In actual fact, the abortion decision is no more the doctor's than a nose job is. It is the woman alone who decides if she wants her nose fixed, or her breasts done, or her child destroyed, and she merely involves the doctor as the instrument of her decision."

The Abortion Papers, p. 199

"When ultrasound in the early 1970s confronted me with the sight of the embryo in a womb, I simply lost my faith in abortion-on-demand. I did not struggle to hold onto my old convictions. This change was, in its way, a clean and surgical conversion.......... finally came to the conviction that this was my patient. This was a person! I was a physician, pledged to save my patients' lives, not to destroy them. So, I changed my mind on abortion."

The Hand of God, p. 140

"Anti-Catholic warp was a central strategy, a **keystone** of the abortion movement." **The Abortion Papers**, p. 196.

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