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Night cometh, when no one is able to be working.

[John 9:4b]

On the eve of the 38th Anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized the brutal murder of pre-born children in the wombs of their mothers, I entreated our Lord Jesus to allow the Holy Spirit to guide my sinful hands to a word from His Word --- a specific message for me to take into my heart, regarding this ungodly infanticide; and that is exactly where my hand opened. It is found in St. John's description of our Lord giving in essence new eyes to the young man born blind.

Just before uttering those words, our Saviour said the following: It is needful for Me to be working the works of the One Who sent Me, while it is day. Like never before, these words convicted my soul. In spite of my total unworthiness, I am an ordained Orthodox Priest of the living God; and, therefore, I must be doing the work of my Jesus, Who sent me, while it is day. Because the night the end of this temporal life is near, my dear brothers and sisters in Christ! And I feel that we need more time to bring people to Christ and His Truth, His Way, His Life!

Therefore, while I will continue, with God's grace, to offer - to whomever God sends to me the preaching, teaching and healing of Jesus Christ, bestowed upon me through Holy Ordination, I realize that I must become far more aggressive and bold in defending our innocent little brothers and sisters sacred right to be born. Because too many of our fellow citizens are blind to the fact that if Christ returned tomorrow tens of millions of souls would face eternal damnation on the issue of legalized abortion alone! Why? With the murder and that is what it is, my dear living icons of Christ of each child via abortion, a great number of people are murdering their very souls: doctors, nurses, parents, social workers, friends, relatives and pro-death (that is what pro-choice truly means) politicians, lawyers and judges. It should be easy to understand why a holy priest-monk, many years ago, called abortion the atomic bomb of sin --- because of the satanic fall-out it produces.

Several months ago, President Obama announced to the world that we are not a Christian Nation; and from one point of view he is correct, because we certainly are not exhibiting the actions of a Christian Nation. However, our Country was founded upon Christian principles and teachings; and, therefore, we all share a sacred commitment: to our Lord Jesus Christ; our children and grandchildren; each other; and the entire population of this Planet, to RETURN to His Gospel --- while it is day. We have chosen as a Nation especially during the last 50 years to abandon Christ. And that abandonment is clearly personified in the fact that one of the largest profit-making businesses in the United States is the LEGAL killing of God's most innocent children!

How much longer will God endure this shedding of innocent blood? When will He send us earthquakes, like the ones that have just brought hundreds of thousands of deaths and catastrophic destruction to the tiny country of Haiti? And look at the hypocrisy, my dear brothers and sisters: Both government and private groups as they should be pouring much needed aid and personnel to this poor ravaged land; and yet, we remain deaf to the silent screams of 4,000 babies that we legally kill everyday! What madness is this? Furthermore, we spend hundreds of billions of dollars every year on trying to clean up our environment from various types of pollutants; however, because of our spiritual blindness, we fail to see the blood of 50 MILLION pre-born babies that has saturated our nation's soul, and the souls of multi-millions of her citizens. Do we really believe, on that fearful Day (and it WILL come), that He Who took upon our flesh in the womb of the Virgin will ignore this satanic slaughter of His children, and because we have clean air and water He will tell us, Well done, good and faithful servants? Do we have the audacity to assume that He, Who shed His precious Blood for us on the Cross, will overlook the oceans of blood of His precious little ones that have been offered to Satan on the ungodly altars of pride, privacy, and profit?

Thanks be to God for the hundreds of thousands of men, women, and children, who have been doing God's work over the past 40 years to defend the pre-born baby's inalienable right to be born. Through their unselfish and

Christ-like efforts, several hundred thousand babies have been saved from death over the past 4 decades; and ten times that many souls were given the opportunity to avoid spiritual death by repenting, and seeking God's unlimited forgiveness and healing! Is it not past the time for the rest of us, while it is day, to join with them in some manner? Maybe we are not being called to stand in front of the abortion chambers (Although that may indeed be the case for some of us.), but perhaps we can help prepare and/or help distribute pro-life information, by becoming actively involved in a pro-life group near us.

At the very least, every one of us can PRAY to our Lord Jesus to speedily deliver us from this terrible crime against Him. Can we even begin to imagine the glorious impact, if untold thousands (what about millions) of Christians were DAILY crying out to God to heal our Nation and all of us from this abortion holocaust? Could we at least make a commitment to do that EVERYDAY, until the Lord returns? How much physical strain would that entail? NONE! How much time would that take out of each day? VERY LITTLE! I have even programmed my cell phone to remind me to stop what I am doing, and offer such a prayer at/near Noon everyday: the time when our Most-sweet Lord Jesus was nailed on the Cross for us. If you need a prayer to offer, I have placed one at the very end of this paper for you to consider using. Think of how all those prayers would permeate the very air we breathe --- helping to cast off the polluted, carnal atmosphere, which has stolen our nation's Christian identity!

My dear brothers and sisters in the risen Lord Jesus, the term, pro-choice Christian, is the consummate oxymoron. You cannot be a Christian, and believe that it is okay to kill a child in the womb of his/her mother. As a priest, I cannot be politically correct in my comments; for then I would be betraying the One Who died that I might live. Arise, my brothers and sisters! Arise! Let us stand up for every pre-born child --- through our words and our actions. Let us love those who still believe it is okay to commit these murders; but let us NOT be intimidated by them, as we pray for their deliverance from the evil one's oppression of them. If it is blessed by God, let us each day ask our Lord Jesus to accept our prayer on behalf of one baby and his/her mother in our town --- that she will have a change of heart and allow her child to be born!

As was the case with each individual (the so-called pro-choice Christian), so also a Nation cannot be called a Christian one, as long as it continues to murder its pre-born children. I beg you, my brothers and sisters: please do your part to restore our Nation to its Christian roots. NOW is the time for ALL, who call themselves Christians, to come to the defense of the child in the womb! NOW, while it is day, is the time to be working the works of the One Who sent us. Let us begin at this very moment, my beloved co-struggler's on sea of life; because night cometh, when no one is able to be working!

A Prayer to Jesus to deliver us from the sin of abortion

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who at the 6th hour of the day didst shed Thy precious Blood upon the Cross for the salvation of all mankind: receive the souls of all the innocent pre-born babies, who have been, are being, or will be slaughtered today in the hospitals and abortion chambers throughout our Nation. And as their untimely deaths have prevented them from receiving the grace of Holy Baptism, I entreat Thee to accept their innocent blood as their Baptism (as Thou didst with the early Martyrs); so that they can share eternity with Thee.

To the doctors, nurses, parents and hosts of accomplices responsible for this infanticide, grant tears of repentance; so that they can run to Thee for forgiveness and healing, and thus avoid the eternal death of their souls. I believe that all things are possible with Thee, O Lord. Therefore, I entreat Thee on this day through Thy divine grace to convince at least one mother in every state to cancel her abortion and bring her child to full term; and to convince one doctor in every state to repent of his actions, and never again kill a child in the womb.

Receive my prayer, O Lord, even though it is offered to Thee from such a sinful and unworthy servant; and unite my entreaty with those of all the other brothers and sisters that are crying out today on behalf of all Thy little ones, who are now being formed in the wombs of their mothers. Deliver us and our Nation, O Lord, from this shedding of innocent blood! Forgive us! Heal us! Save us! Amen.