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Subject: Re: I need some good Conservative/Republican types

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That is why the first and most important thing that girl needs is support, comfort, counselling, and help; her first rational reaction should never be to get an abortion, because an abortion can be equally devastating on both physical and psychological levels.

She needs help and support from her parents and spiritual leaders first and foremost; only then should they even consider abortion (it should go without saying that a teenager should get parental and doctoral approval prior to receiving an abortion; not everyone can get an abortion for medical reasons, I'm sure; if done incorrectly, the abortion could end up taking the lives of both the child and the mother).

To sum it up:

Abortion for medical reasons--acceptable, but all measures should be taken to save both mother's and child's lives, leaving abortion as an absolute last resort; I think most parents would agree with me.

Abortion in response to a rape--no definite answer as each case must be approached individually. Getting an abortion or giving birth and then putting the child up for adoption are extremely, and possibly equally, psychologically and physically devastating decisions.

Despite the child's painful conception, that girl is its mother, and nothing can change that. She must make the choice whether to let her child live or die. The only other people who can even fathom making such a decision are judges deciding murder trials.

This kid hasn't even had a chance to live yet, let alone commit any crime other than simply existing. How can a teenage girl possibly be able to make that kind of a decision?

If I haven't made it obvious enough, I personally support the choice to allow the child to live and have the mother either put it up for adoption or embark on raising it herself, because at least the child will have the potential to live a good life; no one can know what kind of life it would have led if it wasn't allowed to live in the first place.

Of course, my personal (and inexperienced) opinion on whether a girl should abort or adopt is irrelevant since the law is only concerned with whether the choice to abort should be allowed in the first place. It is my belief that not only is that child a human being and have a right to live, but that the psychological and physical damage done to the mother are far too great to allow it to exist as a viable option for someone caught in such a hellacious situation.

EDIT: About the memory thing: she is going to remember being raped and becoming pregnant no matter what. Killing the product of that rape won't erase the memory and will in fact give the girl an equally devastating memory of killing an innocent human being.

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