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

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Nukelt15 wrote on Mon, 07 November 2005 17:49Quote:But it is a biological fact that life begins at conception. It's at that moment when your DNA is created and you physically become a distinct living organism.

That fails to explain identical twins, triplets, etc. Identical twins are created when the fertilized egg splits in two and develops into two separate people. How can a fertilized egg be an individual when the possibility exists that it will become two or more? It makes far more sense to say that life begins when the central nervous system begins developing- before that exists, there is no consciousness, there is no thought. That is scientific fact; anything further than that is religious belief and does not belong in legislation.

When a person becomes brain dead, they are no longer alive. Therefore, before the brain becomes functional, a person is not yet alive.

Being a living being, and being an entity that is capable of existing out of the womb are two different issues. Until a certain degree of maturity is accomplished, the zygote cum fetus is little more biologically than a parasite, feeding off of the Mother. By that definition, the Mother should have the right to terminate the relationship on her terms.

Yet some call that Murder. Murder of a living being is the charge.

How can a parasite be considered a living being? How can the life of that parasite become more important than the wishes of the host?

Can we draw a parallel to the person who is "brain dead" or "clinically dead" and yet maintains life functions with the assistance of machines? Technically that person becomes a parasite themselves, the organ that is supporting them being the hospital and framework of machines. Is unhooking the machines that support life committing murder?

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