Is she/he

Human?

8 week embryo (1st trimester)

"Science has a very simple conception of man; as soon as he has been conceived, a man is a man."

Jerome Lejeune, M.D., Ph.D., former Professor of Fundamental Genetics, Hôpital des Enfants Malades, Paris, France; William Allen Memorial Award, Kennedy Prize

"When fertilization is complete, a unique genetic human entity exists."

C. Christopher Hook, M.D. Oncologist, Mayo Clinic Director of Ethics Education, Mayo Graduate School of Medicine "Human embryos and human fetuses are human beings, each with their own unique genetic DNA."

Ralph P. Miech, Associate Professor of Molecular Pharmacology, Emeritus, Brown University

"...the status
of the fetus
has been elevated
to that of
a patient who,
in large measure,
can be given
the same
meticulous care
that obstetricians
provide for
pregnant woman."

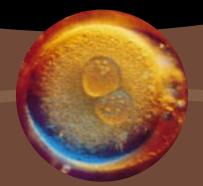
Williams Obstetrics, 20th edition, F. Gary Cunningham et al.,
Appleton & Lange, 1997, p. 151.

JUSTICE FOR ALL

When are we human?



sperm enters ovum



fertilization (unique & complete human genome)



2 cell conceptus (24 hrs.)



implantation (6 days)



4 week embryo (heartbeat at 3 wks)



7 week embryo (brainwaves at 6 wks)



2nd trimester fetus (18 wks.)



3rd trimester fetus (35 wks)



partially born fetus



newborn



toddler



young child



adolescent



young adult



elderly adult

How do we treat the unborn?

21 week fetus in-utero grasps surgeon's finger after corrective surgery for spina bifida.

10 weeks after birth

Humanely unless they are

"unwanted"

ADDICTS

crack babies or fetal alcohol syndrome

HANDICAPPED

mentally, physically or emotionally

POOR

underprivileged

or just plain

INCONVENIENT

HATED

conceived in rape

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Before a class of humans can legally be victimized, they must first be dehumanized

9 week aborted fetus (1st trimester)

"Every child a wanted child."

Planned Parenthood

"We really need to get over this love affair with the fetus."

Dr. Joycelyn Elders former United States Surgeon General

"...'unwantedness'
may be regarded
as a major
complication
of pregnancy,
with abortion
as the indicated
treatment
rather than
medical
management,
as would be
the case
with a wanted
pregnancy."

Dr. Warren Hern, Abortion Practice, p. 8.

"So, what will it be: Wanted fetuses are charming, complex REM-dreaming little beings whose profile on the sonogram looks just like Daddy, but unwanted ones are mere 'uterine material'?"

Naomi Wolf, Author, Feminist, Social Critic
The New Republic, 10/16/95