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ways of dealing with the problems caused by these crisis pregnancies than taking the life of the child. Should we not explore these alternatives and work together to offer substantial, compassionate help in coping with life to these people, rather than helping them ignore moral reality and destroy the lives of their children in the name of freedom and compassion?

Regardless of the euphemisms and plausible-sounding arguments used to justify abortion and to "educate" society, the underlying and unchanging reality is that abortion destroys

innocent, defenseless human lives and is plainly, grossly wrong.

I ask those in the University community who view abortion as a moral alternative to giving birth: Do you have answers to these arguments? Are you hiding from facts that would lead you where you have already determined that you will not go? Are you dealing honorably with the biological reality that an abortion destroys a human life, or the moral reality that it is wrong to kill innocent lives?

We do not get to choose

whether or not a human life begins at conception. It does.

We do not get to choose whether or not it is wrong to destroy innocent human lives. It is.

We do get to choose whether or not we will respond to the issues involved, including the moral reality, with integrity and compassion. Our humanity depends on our doing so.

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