## O. J. the Abortionist...

In his mid-August appearance at the Saddleback Church, the Anointed One was asked by Pastor Rick Warren, "At what point does a baby get human rights?" Obama avoided a direct answer, saying that decision is above his "pay grade." I almost fell out of my chair. Not because he avoided a direct answer, of course. (To most of the questions Obama tried to avoid direct answers, preferring to look down and around, mumbling a lot of "you knows" while he tried to come up with a response that would help him with Christian independents and undecideds but which would also not alienate the far-left crowd that's been busy drooling at the thought of two more abortion fans on the Supreme Court.) No, I was stunned by the audacity of Obama's answer. He has the nerve to say that the privilege of deciding "when a cell becomes tissue becomes a fetus becomes a baby" belongs only to God, when he himself has outperformed Rich Little and Frank Gorshin in portraying the Supreme Being ever since the day he cast his first vote in support of "reproductive rights."

In his support of late-term abortions, Michelle's errand boy has already determined for us that a baby has no rights while in the womb. And in voting against prohibiting doctors and nurses from allowing babies who "inadvertently" survive late-term abortions to die unattended, he has decided that some babies have no human rights even after birth. (Apparently it's not enough to allow an October 7 abortion of a baby with a due date of October 8. No, if the abortionist "mismanages" the procedure, Senator Barack "I'm not playing God" Obama says the baby that made it into the daylight alive and breathing, but possibly not well, should be denied medical care and left to die. "Well, it was exhaling carbon dioxide, after all, and inasmuch as that's a greenhouse gas...")

In a March, 2001Illinois State Senate debate on the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act," Obama argued against the legislation, saying "It would essentially bar abortions because the equal protection clause does not allow somebody to kill a child, and if this was a child then this would be an anti-abortion statute." In other words, if you don't call it a child then it's okay to kill it.

But while the slick Senator tells the uninformed and the gullible (i.e., those who believe the mainstream media) that such decisions are clearly outside his jurisdiction and above his pay, in practice he's already chiseled in as the Eleventh Commandment, "Though Shalt Not Go Against the Wishes of NARAL." Some of you thought he was only measuring for new Oval Office drapes when, in fact, he's getting himself measured for a chair at the left-hand of God. (Not to worry, in the tradition of Hollywood-ego marquee-sharing, the name of Jesus will appear first, but Obama's will be slightly higher on the screen.)

Here's a guy who pretends to know his Bible, but I suspect that over the years Barack Hussein Obama-Soetoro-Obama has committed far more of the Quran to memory than the verses found in the bedside books John Edwards ignored

during his many hotel visits. Granted, more than once Obama has quoted the Bible verse in which Jesus says, "Whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." But Obama uses that line in defense of additional and more expensive federal programs to help the needy. I'm no biblical scholar, but I'd bet most Americans believe that verse means that we, as individuals, should directly help others with our own resources, our own time, and our own money, and that it doesn't mean the government's robbing of Peter to pay Paul... or even Mary. Actually, the "least of my brothers" verse includes not a hint of sisters, so perhaps Obama should only be arguing for federal funding of abortions for men.

Life is so much easier when the media asks simple questions like, "Senator Obama, what is your favorite flavor ice cream?" (But even there a candidate must be careful; you'd better not say you prefer low-fat yogurt, or you'll offend Wisconsin dairy farmers.) But those pesky abortion questions just confuse the voters. (Who wants to be burdened with moral dilemmas? I just want to know how soon after the flim-flam man is sworn in before I'll get my \$1,000 ExxonMobil windfall profits check.)

To his credit, Obama tries to simplify things for the voter by using short terms like "reproductive rights" to mean "taxpayer-paid abortions on demand," and "restrictive choice legislation" to mean "unreasonable requests by conservatives to give medical attention to babies who survive abortions." For a while Obama wanted to make things even easier for the conscience-ridden voter by eliminating the word abortion altogether, but he needs it in case the media ever asks him if he believes O. J. Simpson is a murderer. "No, he performed two very, very, very, very late-term abortions."

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