

INSTRUCTING THOSE THAT OPPOSE THEMSELVES

PART 3



PROVIDING
ANSWERS
THAT CAN
MAKE A
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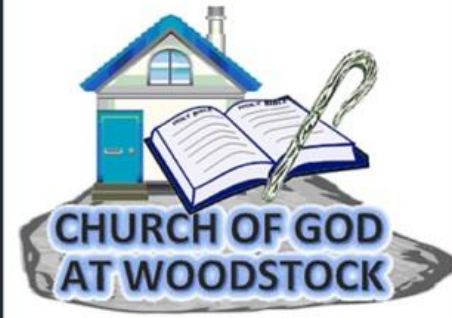


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2 Timothy 2:24–26

And the **servant of the Lord** must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness **INSTRUCTING THOSE THAT OPPOSE THEMSELVES**; if God peradventure will **give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth**; And that they may **recover themselves out of the snare of the devil**, who are taken captive by him at his will.



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- 2. Once started, actually conversing**



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John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

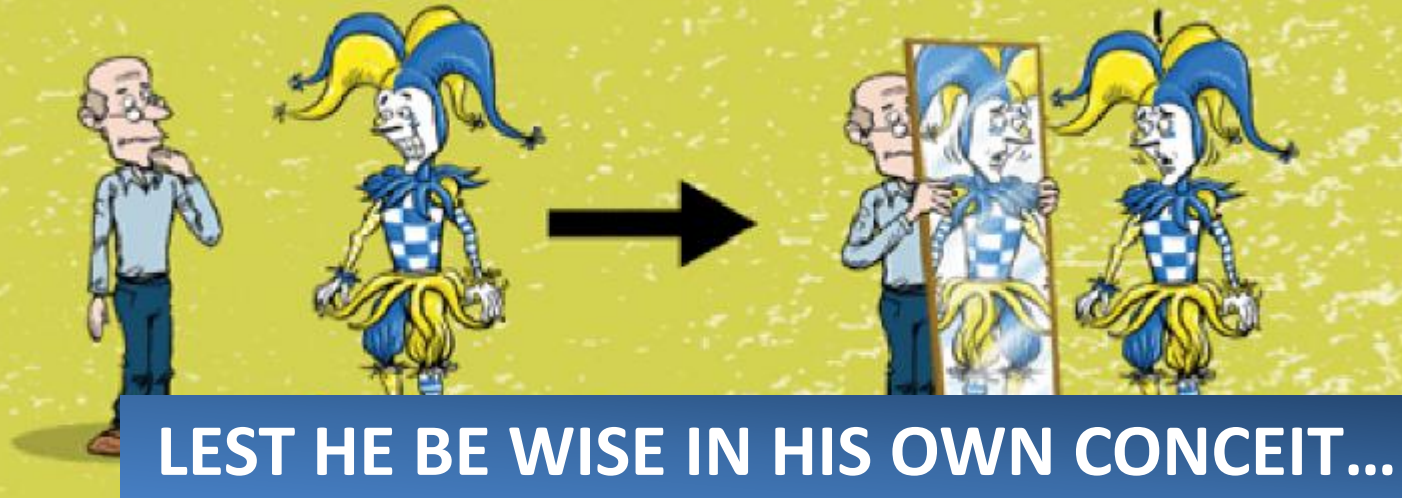
There is no hope for those who reject Jesus



DO NOT ANSWER A FOOL ACCORDING TO HIS FOLLY (Prov. 26:4)



ANSWER A FOOL ACCORDING TO HIS FOLLY (Prov. 26:5)



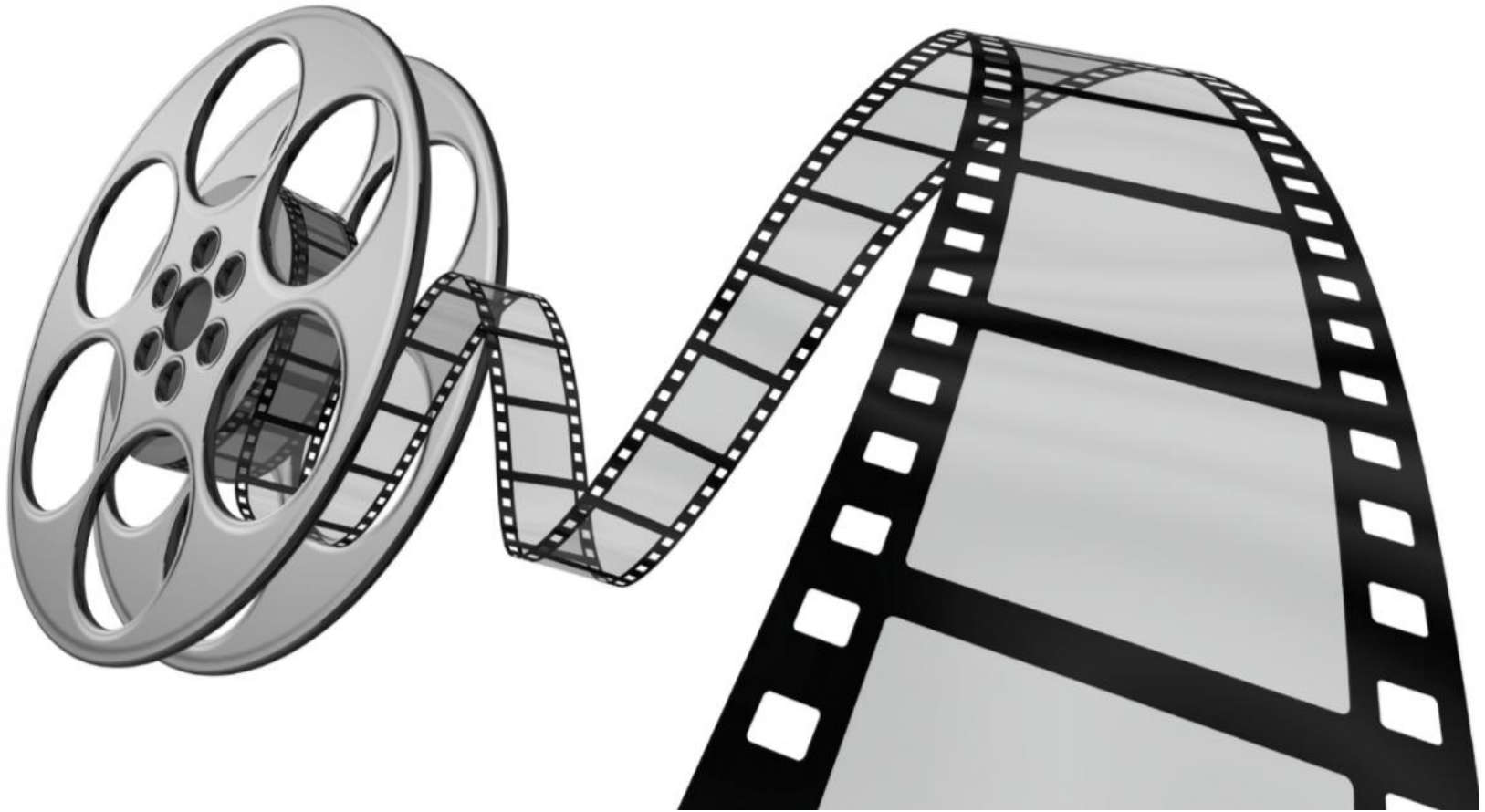
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Matthew 7:6

Give not that which is holy unto the dogs,
neither cast ye your pearls before swine, **lest
they trample them under their feet, and turn
again and rend you.**



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Exodus 32:31–32

And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, **blot me, I pray thee,** out of thy book which thou hast written.



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Romans 9:1–3

I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost, That **I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.** For I could wish that **myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren,** my kinsmen according to the flesh:



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Luke 22:42–44

Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And there **appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him**. And **being in an agony** he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.



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*John Newton on The Messiah Wounded and
Suffering for Us*

Three great wounds are ours, guilt, sin, and sorrow; but by contemplating His welts or scars, with an enlightened eye, and by rightly understanding who was thus wounded, and why; **all these wounds are healed**. You who live by this medicine, speak well of it. Tell to others, as you have opportunity, what a Saviour you have found...



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It is usual for those who have been relieved, in dangerous and complicated diseases, by a skilful physician, to commend him to others who are labouring under the like maladies. We often see public acknowledgments to this purpose. If all the persons, who have felt the efficacy of a dying Saviour's wounds apprehended by faith, were to publish their cases, how greatly would His power and grace be displayed!

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But if you are a true Christian, in the circle of your connections, you will, sometimes, have a fair opportunity of giving a reason of the hope that is in you. **Pray for grace and wisdom to improve such seasons**; and if you speak the truth in simplicity and love, you know not but the Lord may give His blessing to your testimony, and honour you as an instrument of good.

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And to convert one sinner from the error of his way, is an event of greater importance, than the deliverance of a whole kingdom from temporal evil.

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Review Parts 1 and 2

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For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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In simple terms, for conversational purposes we can define sin as something that is against our conscience.



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A driver, knowing littering is illegal, yet stuck with a foaming, leaking carbonated drink can, decides to throw it out the window to avoid making a huge mess inside the car. Not ideal, but a 'small' transgression, excused (at least mostly) by the circumstances – and surely one more can on the side of the road isn't going to make THAT much difference anyway, right?

WRONG! *(in this case at least)*



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...the driver of a car a short distance behind the offender sees the can rolling across the roadway and swerves to miss it, cutting off another vehicle.

The third driver overreacts and harshly collides with the center barrier causing both property and bodily harm.

Was it a 'SMALL' thing? No.



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Isaiah 55:8–9

For my thoughts are **not your thoughts**, neither are **your ways my ways**, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are **my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.**

Father knows best!



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Abortion

US Abortion Clock.org

In United States today

2,472.4

United States this Year

354,373.9

Worldwide since 1980

1,495,304,573

US since 1973: Roe vs Wade

60,424,344.9

US this Year after
16 weeks gestation

17,009.9

Worldwide this Year

15,486,954

By Planned Parenthood since
1970

8,109,525.5

US this Year due to rape
or incest

3,437.4

WW since you loaded this page

47

By Planned Parenthood this year

133,281.7

Black babies since '73 in US

18,127,303.5

Worldwide Today

106,764



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In 2014, **652,639** legal induced abortions were reported to CDC from 49 reporting areas. The abortion rate for 2014 was **12.1 abortions per 1,000 women** aged 15–44 years, and the **abortion ratio was 186 abortions per 1,000 live births.**

https://www.cdc.gov/reproductivehealth/data_stats/abortion.htm



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Exodus 20:13

Thou shalt not kill.



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Jeremiah 1:4–5

Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, **Before I formed thee in the belly** I knew thee; and **before thou camest forth out of the womb** I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.



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Job 10:8–9

Thine **hands have made me and fashioned me together** round about; yet thou dost destroy me. Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?

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To begin with, scientifically something very radical occurs between the processes of gametogenesis and fertilization: the change from a simple part of one human being (i.e., a sperm) and a simple part of another human being (i.e., an “egg”), which simply possess "human life", to a new, genetically unique, newly existing, individual, whole living human being (a single-cell embryonic human zygote).



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That is, upon fertilization, parts of human beings have actually been transformed into something very different from what they were before; they have been changed into a single, whole human being. During the process of fertilization, the sperm and the “egg” cease to exist as such, and a new human being is produced.

<https://www.princeton.edu/~prolife/articles/wdhbb.html>

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Abortion proponents typically look at the entire issue as a complicated mess. So many different situations...

One way is the 'toddler' test.



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Typical false reason #2:

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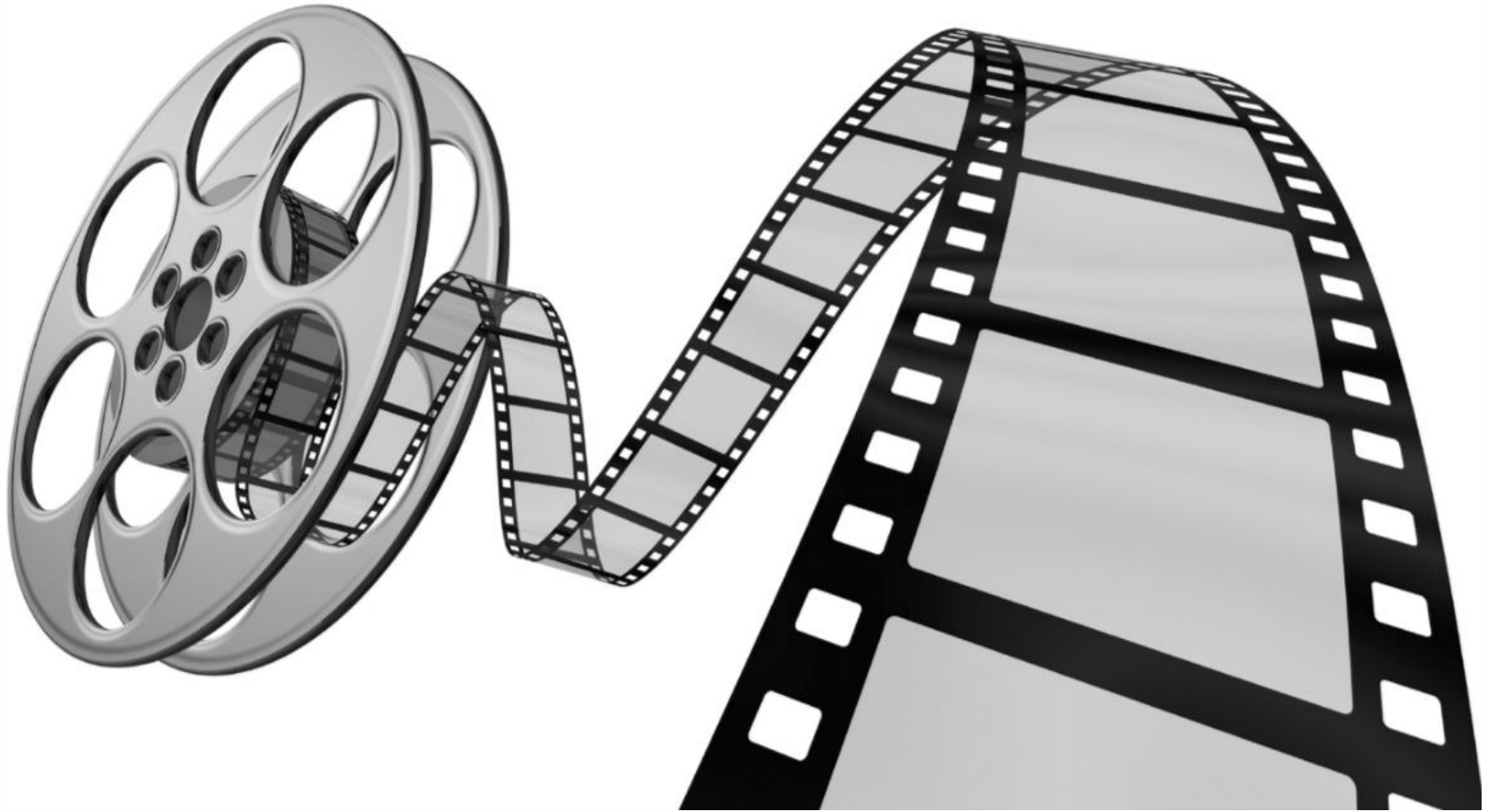
Toddlerize it:

Caring for my two-year-old right now would completely derail my life plans. I would have to drop out of school. I won't be able to pursue the career I want. Killing my child is the best solution



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- Women are worth less than men (since they are generally smaller)



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- Mentally challenged children (or adults) are also disposable with this mindset, never 'developing' as others.



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-Where you are located does not change who you are or what you are worth.



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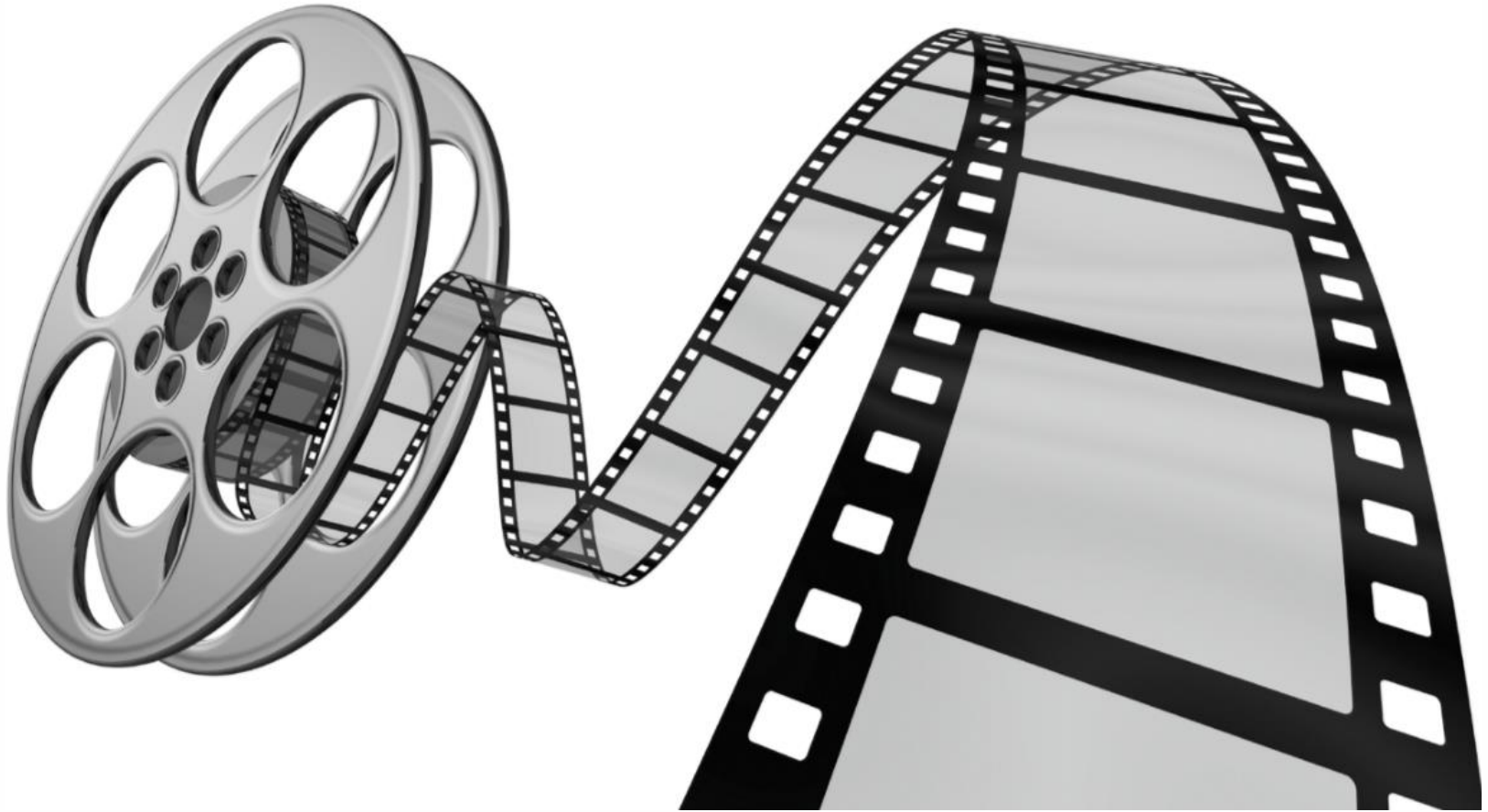
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-How about those who are ill and require someone to care for them? Less valuable?



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Clinics that provide abortions or refer patients to places that do would lose federal funding under a new Trump administration rule...

The rule, which is to be announced Friday ... in this withholding money from any facility or program that promotes abortion or refers patients to a “caregiver” that will provide one.

The policy would be a return to one instituted in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan that required abortion services to have a “physical separation” and “separate personnel” from other family planning activities.



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Hebrews 2:9–10

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.



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2 Corinthians 11:25–27

Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.



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Romans 9:22–24

What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?



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