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New Book Challenges Pro-Abortion Stand of Major Jewish Groups

In **Feticide and the Birth Cycle in Me'am Lo'ez**, Richard Nadler chronicles the authentic pro-life tradition of Judaism, then unmaskes the attack launched against it by Jewish liberals in the latter half of the Twentieth Century.

Nadler, writing under his Hebrew name Reuben-Lev ben Herschel, utilizes the encyclopedic “*Me'am Lo'ez*” to assemble the rulings by which Jewish law protected the life of the unborn, and the Aggadic and Midrashic traditions that underlay those rulings.

“As I studied the teachings of Jewish sages on life issues,” said Nadler, “it became increasing clear that what centuries of Jewish rabbis taught had little or nothing to do with the radical pro-abortion stands of most contemporary American Jewish organizations.

“Traditional Judaism portrayed abortion and its practitioners in a relentlessly negative light. Feticide was associated with murder, greed, sexual sin, and genocide. The abortionists included the worst villains in Jewish history: By contrast, those who resisted abortion were universally celebrated in our annals.

“Moreover, Jewish law consistently treated feticide as a crime. The rabbis considered the conceptum a being consecrated by God, and protected it at every stage of its development.

“The unique horror with which Jews, among all the ancients, regarded was grounded in a view of procreation that was sacerdotal and covenantal rather than individualistic or humanistic. The sacerdotal character of procreation was based on man’s origin – as a creature fashioned ‘in God’s image. Its covenantal character derived from God’s claim on Israel’s service.”

The book includes a Forward by best-selling author Rabbi Daniel Lapin. “**Feticide and the Birth Cycle**,” he said, “is a stunning tour de force that reveals Jewish tradition’s reverence for life with compelling persuasiveness. It belongs in every believer’s arsenal of intellectual ammunition.”

Speaking engagements, interviews with the author, and purchases of the book, which sells for \$25.00 plus shipping and handling, can be arranged by calling Tom Donelson at 319-331-7615, or by writing to: Pakad Press, 7808 Foster, Suite B; Overland Park KS 66204.

