

Birth Control and Overpopulation

Our position on birth control is that birth control is wonderful and that we should do everything possible to support reproductive choice. This includes:

- Availability - That every person of reproductive age, especially women because that's where birth actually occurs, should have free unrestricted access to birth control. We consider it an absolute right of a woman to control her own reproduction. Unrestricted access includes making contraception available to teenagers without the consent of the parents. When a person becomes old enough to reproduce it becomes their choice, not the choice of the parents, to avoid pregnancy.

- Research - The Church of Reality supports research to develop technology to support reproductive choices. This is not only for birth control research, but also to help people who want to have children to reproduce who could not otherwise reproduce without the new discoveries.

- Over Population - We in the Church of Reality understand that this planet can not support an unlimited number of people and that birth control is ethically imperative in order to avoid the catastrophic consequences of war, famine, and plagues that happen if we are not responsible.

- Abortion - Abortion is a choice and women have the right to make that choice.

- Education - The Church of Reality takes the position that everyone should receive reproductive education so that they can make the best choices possible with the best information available. This education needs to begin in school so kids can grow up knowing a lot more about sex than I did when I was growing up. This education should involve all aspects of life, not just sex and birth control, but birth, raising children, and good healthy family relationships.