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To the Editor,

The photographs recently presented in the news of the Arab prisoners piled naked on top of each other and forced into other positions humiliating bv American soldiers are horrifying. The reality of this situation should grieve every American and cause us all to cry out against this abomination.

Any civil official who would defend what these soldiers have done, especially after seeing these horrific pictures, should be aggressively rebuked and ejected from office. There is no question that these pictures are awful and angering to look at, vet they present the truth that words could never describe. It would be foolishness for us to become angry at the use of the pictures, rather than the acts they depict. These photographs present the truth, which cannot be justified, and are worth more than a thousand words.

Throughout history graphic photographs have been used to educate and expose man's atrocities. Textbooks, museums, and so forth, show photographs of lynched black men. Jewish corpses, and the murdered Vietnamese children. At the end of World War II, our American soldiers marched German men, women, and children past the remains of those who died in the concentration camps.

They did this because these citizens were all guilty for having tolerated the atrocities that went on in their midst. Matthew Brady, the renowned Civil War photographer, took and displayed many photographs of those killed during the war. In 1862, the New York Times printed the following statement about Brady's photographs: "The dead of the battlefield come up to us very rarely, even in dreams. We see the list in the morning paper at breakfast, but dismiss its recollection with the coffee. We recognize the battlefield as reality, but it stands as a remote one. It is like a funeral next door.

It attracts your attention, but it does not enlist your sympathy. But it is very different when the hearse stops at your own door and the corpse is carried over your own threshold. Mr Brady has done something to bring us the terrible reality and earnestness of the war. If he has not brought bodies and laid them in our dooryards and along our streets, he has done something verv like it."

As the News of Delaware County reported on May 5. we were present in Lansdowne's Sycamore Park to rebuke Governor Ed Rendell and associates for their continued support of abortion.

Mr. Rendell was there to speak about saving the trees, when there is an emergency in Pennsylvania, a holocaust in our midst, which he is a part of.

The photographs we displayed were not of some evil that happened long ago, but of an evil presently happening in our nation. In the Holy Bible, Exodus 20:13 declares, "Thou shalt not kill.

Over 4,000 innocent babies are murdered everyday across this nation at the hands of abortionists. "God hates...hands that shed innocent blood." Proverbs 6:16-17

In the past 31 years, 45 million children have been put to death because of our silence and selfishness. Therefore, we must be confronted with the face of abortion, for their blood is on our hands.

Isaiah 58:1 declares, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression, and the

house of Jacob their sins."

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Because we refuse to love our pre-born neighbor as Jesus Christ has commanded us to do. these children die. Abortionists stop beating hearts and tear babies limb from limb in the mother's womb, all in the name of "choice". These photographs should awaken the conscience and drive a person to compassion. The Scripture says in Psalm 139, "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works: and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth."

We do not take pleasure in holding signs of aborted children, but are grieved in our hearts and broken that this holocaust continues in our nation while the people remain silent, indifferent, apathetic, and even promote this evil.

The Scriptures call us to "...have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." Ephesians 5:11

As for those who argue that children should not be exposed to these graphic photographs, we say that they already know the truth.

The parents, who are more angered by a picture than the innocent bloodshed of a baby, are clearly using their children as an excuse to hide from the reality of abortion.

Perhaps the parents who oppose us should 'choose' to leave next time.

Serving the Lord Jesus Christ,

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