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The Honorable Timothy Walz
Governor of Minnesota
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Dear Governor Walz,

The sovereign King of the universe has declared in His Holy Word: “The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.” (Psalm 103:19) You have been given a temporary position of authority and power by the eternal King. In the history of the earth, there have been leaders who pursued justice and righteousness, and those who practiced and promoted evil. Time and again, we have seen that those who persist in evil eventually reap the consequences of evil, for “He does not leave the guilty unpunished.” (Exodus 34:7)

God has also declared judgment upon those “who call evil good and good evil” (Isaiah 5:20). Three bills that you recently signed into law illustrate that this is exactly what is happening in our state currently. The recent passage of *Trans Refuge Act* is a clear case in point. This bill not only promotes the mutilation of bodies, including minor children and teens, it also subverts a fundamental right of parents to make decisions on behalf of their children according to their beliefs and conscience. You claim this law “protects access to gender-affirming health care.” If you want to affirm gender and truly care for people, start with teaching them that God created people in his image in one of two genders: male or female. (Gen. 1:27) For someone to seek to change his or her God-given gender is an effort to play God, and to declare that our wisdom is greater than his. He makes us as we are for a purpose.

Rather than direct people to the truth and help them overcome their problems, you seek to take away the freedom of speech of those who would seek to help them. You claim “conversion therapy” is harmful and signed bill HF16 to stop it. What is truly harmful is to perpetuate lies to people, encourage them to dishonor their bodies and God, and to silence those who desire to help others by speaking truth.

You claim to be “protecting people seeking or providing abortions in Minnesota” through bill HF366. Rather than protecting human life, you are destroying it and breaking God’s law, in which He said, “You shall not murder” (Ex. 20:13). Certainly, the blood of those babies who are being slain cries out to the Lord, even as the voice of Abel’s blood cried out to God from the ground where he was murdered (Gen. 4:10). Governor, you have blood on your hands!

God has been patient toward you. At any moment He could administer his justice upon you, but in His kindness He has waited. Take note of His kindness, for it is meant to lead you to repentance (Romans 2:4). Repent, change your ways before it is too late! Acknowledge God as being the sovereign and holy King of all the universe. He is the one to whom you must bow. You have sinned mightily against Him. But thanks be to God that “the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin” (1 John 1:7). Turn to God, express genuine sorrow for your sin, and change your ways. “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved” (Acts 16:31). Our God is merciful, and He has promised that “whoever comes to me I will never cast out” (John 6:37). This is the heart of the biblical gospel. My prayer for you is that you will indeed repent and believe in Jesus Christ, even today.

For Christ Jesus and his Kingdom,

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