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1) DEVOLUTION
As a resident of Northern Ireland for my entire life I want to see laws that effect me decided and voted upon by the people who live here in Northern Ireland, especially those with massive moral implications. While our own MLA’s seen incapable of coming together at this time, it is they, and not Westminster who should take local thoughts on Abortion into account. It is a devolved issue and should remain as such. The people of Northern Ireland have been very clear that they DO NOT want Abortion imposed on them from Westminster. Should England, Scotland and Wales choose to let their land run red with the blood of innocent murdered children in their mother's wombs that is their sin before God, but we do not want our land scarred in the same manner.

2) DISTINCTIVE LAW AND CULTURE
In fact, going beyond this, as a recent study has shown we have an additional 100,000 in Northern Ireland who were not murdered in their mothers wombs rightly because we do not have the same laws. We also do not discriminate against the disabled in their mothers womb, aborting them simply because they may have potentially been identified as having a disability. This is something to celebrate.

3) HUMAN RIGHTS & EQUALITY
Further more we value true Human Rights, which identify the equality of everyone, including those in their mother's womb. They have a right to life, freedom and liberty. Perhaps if more emphasis was put on the sanctity of marriage, chastity, and how to have a wholesome relationship, rather than just trying to abort what people see as 'the problem', that in most cases arise out of poor life choices they have made, our society would be a lot healthier.

4) PERSONAL STORIES
I have met women who severely regret abortions, and those who are very sincerely grateful that they did not. By making it easier there will only be more in the first camp who will have issues for the rest of their lives.

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