

Abortion!

- <u>Definition</u>: "The extraction of the human fetus from the womb of the mother, with the intent to end its life prior to natural birth."
- <u>Terms</u>: "evacuating the contents of the uterus," or "removing post conception fertility content," or "the interruption of a pregnancy," or a "medical procedure."
- <u>Some try to justify it</u> by calling it "pro choice," or "a woman's right to choose." cf. Isaiah 5:20

Fact: Abortion Should be Considered <u>in the Light of the Bible</u>!

- Because God Exists! Hebrews 11:6; Psalms 14:1; Psalms 19:1.
- Because Man was created in "the image of God," Genesis 1:26-27.
- Because The Bible is the Word of God, Hebrews 4:12; 2 Peter 1:20-21, I Corinthians 10:10-13.
- Because we will be judged by the word of God, John 12:48.

The Bible Views the Unborn as "Children"!

- <u>Genesis 25:22-23</u>, "The children struggled together within her..."
- Jeremiah 1:5, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you..."
- <u>Luke 1:41</u>, "The babe leaped in her womb," cf. Luke 2:12.
- Pregnant women were described as being <u>"with child</u>," Genesis 16:11; I Samuel 4:19; Genesis 19:36

Other Scriptures Which Infer that the Unborn are Human Beings:

- <u>Psalms 139:13-16</u> God formed David in his mother's womb. He used the pronouns "I" and "My" to describe himself before birth!
- Job 31:15 God fashioned Job "in the womb," Job 31:15.
- Fact: the unborn "child" constitutes <u>human</u> life!
 - We must appreciate the sanctity of human life! Genesis 9:6.

Medical Science and the Unborn

- According to <u>the Medical Record</u>:
 - 18 days after conception the heart beats on its own.
 - At six weeks it quickly moves in the womb.
 - Brain waves are present at 8 weeks.
 - At 12 weeks it cries, sucks thumb, sleeps and wakes. All organ systems function, including the mental; it can definitely feel pain. From this point nothing new develops; from then on it is growing and maturing!

Other Facts:

- <u>Sonongrams</u> ("a window to the womb") one can discern its ears, eyes, nose, mouth, fingers, etc.
- <u>At Conception</u> the embryo is genetically distinct from the mother.
- <u>The Developing Embryo</u> consists of 46 chromosomes, 23 from the "father" and 23 from the "mother." The embryo is genetically different from the sperm and egg which created it.

Why Abortion is Wrong:

- <u>It is Murder</u>! Genesis 9:6; Galatians 5:19-21; Revelation 21:8; Exodus 21:22-23.
- It involves the taking of "innocent blood," 2 Kings 24:3-4; Proverbs 6:17.
- It Makes <u>Liars</u> out of its Proponents.
 <u>1964 Planned Parenthood</u> Pamphlet: "abortion kills the life of a baby once it has begun.
 - Last year Planned Parenthood performed 330,000 abortions. Reportedly receives <u>337</u> Million \$ in Government grants, and is tax exempt. Its definition of abortion has changed for the sake of money and ideology!

Abortion is Wrong Because it Creates "A Culture of Death!"

- <u>The Bible stresses the sanctity of life, Genesis</u> 1:26-27; 9:6; Hebrews 12:9.
- The general acceptance of abortion opens the door for *euthanasia*. The value of life begins to be measured by what it can contribute to society.
- Ironically, while human life is being devalued, our society more and more is elevating the value of other forms of life!

Abortion is Wrong Because It De-Civilizes Society!

- <u>Proverbs 14:</u>34: "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."
- Statistically, child abuse has <u>increased over</u> 1,000 percent since the 1973 Supreme Court Decision!
- The de-civilizing of society is seen in the various <u>procedures</u> that are used to abort an unborn child!

Abortion is Wrong Because it Violates the "Golden Rule."

- <u>Matthew 7:12</u>: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets."
- It has been Observed that "everyone who is in favor of abortion has already been born!"
- I never heard an abortion advocate say: "I wish my mother had had me aborted."

Abortion is Wrong Because It Victimizes the Ones Who have an Abortion!

- <u>Galatians 6:7</u>: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he reap."
- Many never get over the remorse and guilt they feel after the fact. It has been called "A ticking time bomb!"

Abortion is Wrong Because it has Divided our Nation!

- Matthew 12:25.
- On March 6, 1857 the U.S. Supreme Court in the Dred Scott decision ruled that black people were not "legal persons" according to the Constitution.
- On January 22, 1973 the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion on the assumption that unborn babies lack personhood!

Conclusion:

- Refer to a Baby who, by today's standards, could have been aborted, but was not.
- Jesus came to give us Life!

- John 14:6 - "I am the Way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me." - John 1:4 - "In Him was life; and the life was the light of men."

- <u>I John 5:14</u> - "He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life."