



Abortion: Is It Murder?

At sixteen weeks the heart of an unborn child is pumping twenty-five quarts of blood a day.



This four month old baby girl was murdered by a saline solution.



Every twenty-seconds an unborn child is murdered in the USA.

WHY ARE BABIES ABORTED?

According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute (The research arm of planned parenthood) **One percent** are victims of incest or rape. **One percent** had fetal abnormalities. **Four percent** had a doctor who said their health would worsen if the pregnancy continued. **Fifty percent** didn't want to be a single parent or they had problems in current relationships. **Sixty-six percent** stated they could not afford a child. **Seventy-five percent** said the child would interfere with their lives. (Sanctity of life, C. Swindoll, Word, 1990, p.12) Worldwide, fifty-five million unborn babies are killed every year. Since this time yesterday, 150,685 were destroyed by abortion.

ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE AND ACCORDING TO SCIENCE, ABORTION IS MURDER!

Our minds have been conditioned to accept the idea that an unborn baby is something less than human. The unborn child called a "fetus." There is less guilt involved in destroying what is called a fetus, rather than thinking of killing a baby.

GOD CALLS THE UNBORN CHILD A "CHILD!"

Matthew 1:18,20 says, "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost...that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost."

THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

During the sixth month of her pregnancy John's mother was visited by the virgin Mary. **Luke 1:41** says, "When Elizabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb." The Greek word for "babe" in the above text is "**brehphos**".

GOD USED THE SAME WORD WHEN REFERRING TO THE BABE IN THE MANGER

Luke 2:12 says, "And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the **babe** (brehphos) wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

Luke 2:16 says, "And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the **babe** (brehphos) lying in a manger." The same Greek word is used to describe Christ in the manger as is used to describe Him in the womb!



In **Second Timothy 3:15** Paul writing to Timothy said, "... from a **child** (brehphos) thou hast known the holy scriptures..."

Luke 18:15 says, "And they brought unto him also **infants**, (brehphos) that he would touch them..."

Acts 7:19 says, "The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil entreated our fathers. So that they cast out their young **children**, (brehphos) to the end they might not live." They were throwing their **children** (brehphos) into the river so they would "not live." We all consider that to be murder. When a child is killed after birth or in the womb, **God considers it to be murder!**

THE BIRTH OF JEREMIAH

In **Jeremiah 1:5**, God told Jeremiah: "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee,



and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations."

God "formed" him in his mother's body, however, God knew him before he was formed, and ordained him a prophet unto the nations. **If his mother had had an abortion, God would have considered it to be murder!**

THE BIRTH OF ISAIAH

Isaiah said in **Isaiah 49:5**, "*The Lord formed me from the womb to be His servant.*" **If his mother had had an abortion, God would have considered it murder!**

THE BIRTH OF JOB

Job said in **Job 10:11**, "*Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and has fenced me with bones and sinews.*" **If his mother had had an abortion, God would have considered it murder!**

THE BIRTH OF PAUL

Paul said in **Galatians 1:15**, "*But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace...*" **If his mother had had an abortion, God would have considered it to be murder!**

These Scriptures make it plain, that God forms **babies** in the womb, clothes them with skin and flesh, gives them bones and sinew and then separates them from the womb.

BIRTH OF DAVID

David said in **Psalm 139:13-16**, "*Thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret...Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.*"

David's mother was carrying a **baby** in her womb. She was not carrying a little bundle of tissue and muscle. God saw him, formed him and put this information in the Bible. **If David's mother had had an abortion, God would have considered it murder!**

David said in **Psalm 51:5**, "*Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.*" It was David that was conceived, it was David that was given shape in the womb. **If**

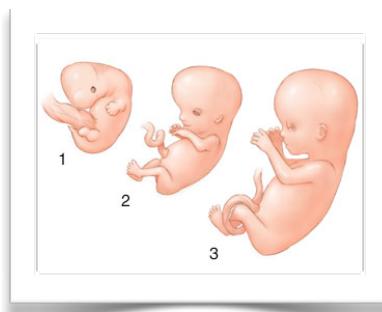
David's mother had obtained an abortion, it would have been murder!

SCIENCE SPEAKS

There are forty-six chromosomes in the nucleus of a human cell. The father contributes twenty-three, and the mother contributes twenty-three. At the time of conception, these two cells unite and form a new cell of forty-six chromosomes. It is the first cell of a new human being. Successive cell divisions then results in the development of a baby.

A baby goes through two stages before birth. Science refers to these stages as the *embryonic* and *fetal* periods. The transition occurs at approximately the end of the ninth week after conception. At this time arms and legs develop and fingers and toes begin to form.

This baby is formed by "*successive cell division*" and **is not** receiving new cells from its mother. The new individual is **protected**, and **fed** through the mother's body, but **it is gross ignorance and contrary to scientific facts to contend that it is only a growth on the mother's body.**



The baby grows **after birth** by "*successive cell divisions*," in exactly the same manner that it grew before birth in the mother's womb.

The only cell that mother contributed was the first one and it only contained one half the normal chromosomes. The father furnishes the other cell with twenty-three chromosomes. When these two cells meet and combine, conception takes place and a baby is formed.

Neither the mother nor the father contributes any new cells after conception takes place. After the point of conception the new baby is as much

a part of the father's body as it is the mother's body!

The mother is carrying a **baby**. She is not carrying a chunk of tissue that may be removed like a wart or tumour. Any doctor or parent who murders an innocent little baby, six months before it is born or six months after it is born **will answer to God, not for removing the fetus, but for murdering a child!**

Within four weeks after conception the new baby has developed a **heart, limb buds and muscle tissue**. Within five weeks it develops **ears, eyes and tiny hands**. At eight weeks the baby's features are recognizably human. About two weeks after conception, the baby is in almost constant motion. By eight weeks it has **all its organs, legs, arms, feet, hands, ears** and looks like a human being. It often sucks its thumb at the stage.

The baby has a definite **heartbeat**. It waves its arms and legs and if removed from the uterus, often struggles to take a breath into its lungs. Frequently a three month baby removed from the uterus will struggle for life as long as two or three hours.

WHAT IS ABORTION?

We will quote the words of Dr. Forrest C. Stevenson, Certified Marriage Counsellor of Brighton Michigan.

1. *"There are four types of abortions. The first is a suction type of abortion in which a tube is inserted into the womb and there creates a powerful vacuum which tears the fetus from the womb in a mass of blood and tissue which is the removed from the mother. This method is used in the earlier stage of pregnancy.*

2. *Second is the curette-type of abortion in which a spoon-shaped instrument with sharp edges is inserted and is used to cut up the baby and separate it from the womb. Often because of inadequate dilation, the surgeon who is performing the abortion has to use his hands to crush the baby's head because it is too large to be removed successfully.*

3. *A third type of abortion is very similar to a Caesarean operation in which through abdominal surgery, the baby is removed. This baby will be alive*



at the time it is removed from the mother's body. It will be moving its arms and legs. Often it will be crying. It will be struggling for air. Unfortunately this baby's lungs are not yet adequately developed so that it can breathe air, and after a time—after a few hours of crying, and moving and thrashing about—it finally dies.

4. The fourth type of abortion is the Salt Brine technique, sometimes called salting down. A large needle is inserted into the womb and through this needle most of the fluids are removed, and then a strong salt solution is injected into the mother. The baby thrashes around violently and unless there is an anesthesia, the mother will experience extreme pain during this period. And, of course, if there is an anesthetization, there is an increased danger to her life. The baby is literally pickled in this salt brine and after a few days it is delivered as a stillbirth."

THE BIBLE CONDEMS THE KILLING OF THE UNBORN

The Bible says, "Thou shalt not kill." (Exodus 20:15)

The death penalty is God's judgement upon those who commit murder. The Bible says, "And surely your blood of your lives your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man." (Genesis 9:5,6)

Abortion is premeditated murder. It is the "shedding of blood." The unborn baby has blood, and it is its own blood. God makes no distinction between the murdering of people of different ages.

Immediately following Exodus twenty where we are told, "Thou shalt not kill," in the next chapter we are given further information about an unborn child. "If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. And if any mischief follow,

then thou shalt give life for life." (Exodus 21:22,23)

Injury to an expectant mother will often cause a premature birth. If the baby died as a result of the injury, under the Jewish law, the guilty man was to be put to death because he murdered the child.

The Bible says, "**If any mischief follow,**" that is if the mother or infant died, "**then thou shalt give life for life.**" If the mother or infant died, then the death penalty was pronounced upon the guilty man.

(This interpretation of the above text is supported by Kiel and Delitzch and many other scholars)

Anyone who deliberately sets out to kill a baby, before or after it is born, will answer for it when they face God. The Bible says, "Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward." (Psalm 127:3)



The girl in the picture is dead! She was scalded with a toxic chemical. She was forced to ingest deadly poison. She writhed in agony for hours before she finally died. Then, she was thrown in a bucket and dumped out with the garbage. She was a victim of ABORTION! **God calls it MURDER!**

The "HIPPOCRATIC OATH" has been taken by most doctors. Many have it hanging in their office. It reads, "To none will I give a deadly drug, even if solicited, nor offer counsel to such an end, and no woman will I give a destructive suppository, but guiltless and hallowed will I keep my art."

This little baby is an eighteen week old, unborn child. If it is not a child **why is it sucking its thumb?** If it is not a child



why does he have a heartbeat? If it is not a child why has its internal organs developed? If it is not a child why does it have ears and eyelids? If it is not a child why can it be scientifically demonstrated that it hears and reacts to sound? If it is not a child why does it have fingerprints?

The dictionary defines "**life**" as, "The quality that distinguishes a vital and functional being from a dead body." According to the dictionary unborn babies have a life. According to the Bible if you take a life, "...then thou shalt give life for life." (Exodus 21:23)

The doctors who advocate liberal abortion laws know it is wrong.

Man has a freewill and may choose to ignore God, however, he cannot choose the results his choices will bring. **Romans 2:2** says, "But we are sure that the judgement of God is according to truth against them which commit such things."

The Bible plainly says, **Galatians 6:7**, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

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