

The Bible And Abortion

Introduction: Since the Roe vs. Wade supreme court ruling in 1973, over 45,000,000 children have been killed in this country who should have lived. It is estimated that same amount are happening around the world each year! We get in an uproar over the Jewish holocaust of Hitler, the massacres in the Middle East, the mass genocide of the killing fields of SE Asia, or the terrorism of our day. The same degree of outrage ought to be exhibited over abortion, the silent holocaust.

I oppose abortion; the deliberate termination (not natural miscarriage) of the life of an unborn baby; not because a verse says, “Thou shalt not have an abortion”, but due to the application of Biblical principles. The key question: Is the unborn child a human being? If so, then a moral consequence follows if that life is taken by another. If not, then it is a matter to be considered medically, legally, or even humanely. But what does the Bible say?

A) Life Is In The Blood - Leviticus 17:14

* Blood is present a few days after conception(18th day). Mother may not even know she is pregnant yet!

B) Stillborn Children Rest With God - Ecclesiastes 6:3-6

* Can rest be possible if there is no life? God is not the God of the dead, but the living (Mk. 12:26,27)

C) Job Thought It To Have Been Better If Born Dead - Job 3:11-17; 10:18,19

* How could it be better? Not unless conscious and with human existence. By the Bible’s definition if born dead implies once there was life. Death is a cessation of life, not vice versa.

D) The Unborn Experience Emotions - Luke 1:44; 2:15

* Does a flesh and blood fetus, a mass of protoplasm, experience such? Obviously not. The same word “babe” is used before and after birth.

E) Fathers Beget Children - Genesis 5:1-3; 11:10-27

* When can this only happen, literally? At fertilization and conception. Compare Job 3:3 with Revelation 12:5. In the Bible “sons and daughters” used before and after birth interchangeably. The mother’s right to choose overlooks the equal right of the father.

F) The Body Without The Spirit Is Dead - James 2:26

* What must the unborn body have to be alive? A spirit.

G) Additional Scriptures For Consideration

* Jer.1:4,5; Psalm 139:13-16; Gen. 25:21,22; Num. 12:12 w/ Luke 1:43; Luke 1:36; Ex. 21:22-25 (?)

H) Remember These Principles

* Two wrongs do not make a right! Even if a pregnancy is caused by rape or incest.
* We cannot do evil that good may come! To control the population, avoid unwanted children. or eliminate deformed babies, is not licence to sin.

Conclusion: God and the Bible do not permit abortions.

Additional Notes: (establishing viability and birth control)

* By the 1st month - All major organs have begun developing - heartbeat measurable at 18 days.
* By 2nd month - Human form clearly recognizable - fingers, toes, etc. - brain waves 6-8 weeks (the determining factor in clinical death). Abortion most often performed here.
* By the 3rd month - All body systems present and operating - Begins to breathe - growth and maturity most of the remainder of term - some abortions have been known to survive.
* Partial birth abortions, where the baby is partially delivered and the brains sucked out, is so grotesque that man’s human depravity has reached a point “without natural affection”.
* Be advised: Certain kinds of artificial birth control can work as an abortifacient, making the womb uninhabitable or inhospitable for the newly conceived child, thereby causing a miscarriage.

