

# Why I'm Pro-life

## INTRODUCTION

I. The Bible teaches the unborn is a child who belongs to God.

A. God's knowledge, formation and ownership of each person begins before birth. Ex. 4:11; Judges 13:5; Job 3:3; 10:8-12; Psalm 119:73; 139:13-16; Isa. 44:2,24; 49:1; Gal. 1:15

**<sup>13</sup> For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup> I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. <sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth; <sup>16</sup> Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them.** Psalms 139:13-16 (NASB)

**<sup>5</sup> Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.** Psalms 51:5 (NASB)

**<sup>15</sup> But when God, who had set me apart *even* from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, was pleased** Galatians 1:15 (NASB)

B. The unborn experience some of the same emotions and realities of life as the born- Psalm 58:3; Gen. 25:22; Hosea 12:3; Luke 1:44

C. A pregnant woman was always referred to as "a woman with child."

D. The Bible uses the same words to describe children outside the womb as it does children inside the womb.

1. Brephos (Gr.)- "baby". The same word is used to describe John the Baptist in the womb (Luke 1:44) and Jesus lying in a manger (Luke 2:12).
2. Huios (Gr.)- "son". The same word is used by the angel to tell Mary that Elizabeth had conceived a son (Luke 1:31) as God used of Jesus at his baptism, "Thou are my beloved Son" (Luke 3:22).
3. Ben (Hebrew)- "son or child". The same word is used to refer to 13 yr. old Ishmael (Gen. 17:25) and Jacob and Esau in the womb (Gen. 25:2).
4. Gehver (Hebrew)- "man or men". Used approximately 65 times in Scripture for man or men but in Job 3:3 it refer to conception. "Let the day perish on which I was to be born, and the night which said, 'A boy is conceived.'"
5. Gohlahl (Hebrew)-"child". The same word is used for children asking for bread (Lam. 4:4) and "infants which never saw the light" (Job 3:16)

## II. Responding to typical pro-choice arguments.

<sup>17</sup> **The first to plead his case *seems* right, *Until* another comes and examines him.** Proverbs 18:17 (NASB)

A. A woman has a right to her own body.

B. Denying the humanity of the child that is aborted.

C. You cannot impose your morality on someone else.

D. A woman has the right to choose.

## III. What can we do?