

Why Abortion Is a Sin

INTRODUCTION

¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one *point*, he has become guilty of all.
James 2:10 (NASB)

I. The attempt to distinguish between a human and a person.

II. 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

¹³ For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, *And* skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth; ¹⁶ 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)

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

¹⁵ But when God, who had set me apart *even* from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, was pleased ¹⁶ to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with flesh and blood, Galatians 1:15-16 (NASB)

B. The unborn experience some of the same emotions and realities of life as the born. Gen. 25:22; Psalm 58:3; Hos. 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 words 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 Christ at his baptism, “Thou are my beloved Son” (Luke 3:22).
3. Ben (Heb.)- “son” or “child”. The same word is used to refer to 13 yr. old Ismael (Gen. 17:25) and Jacob and Esau in the womb (Gen. 25:2).
4. Gehver (Heb.)- “man” or “men” Used approximately 65 times in Scripture for man or men but in Job 3:3 it refers to conception, “Let the day perish on which I was born, and the night which said, ‘A boy is conceived.’”
5. Gohlahl (Heb.)-“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. Given the status of the unborn child, abortion is wrong.

A. The Supreme Court did not have the moral authority to permit individuals to kill other individuals.

³For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good and you will have praise from the same; ⁴for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil. Romans 13:3-4 (NASB)

B. Application of the Golden Rule prohibits abortion.

³¹“Treat others the same way you want them to treat you. Luke 6:31 (NASB)

III. Applications.

A. Why I’m a single issue voter with abortion.

B. What should we say to someone who has had an abortion?

¹Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1 (NASB)

¹³He who conceals his transgressions will not prosper, But he who confesses and forsakes *them* will find compassion. Proverbs 28:13 (NASB)