

Abortion

I. Pro-abortion

- A. Abortion supporters say pregnant women have a “fetus” or a form of life.
- B. Women should have control of their own bodies (compare Isa. 5:20).
- C. In 1973 there were 744,700 recorded abortions. How many are there today? _____
- D. Do you know how many abortion clinics are in our community? _____

II. Anti-abortion (Scriptural view)

- A. Life begins at the point of conception.
 - 1. We now know a heartbeat exists eighteen days after conception.
 - 2. Blood pumps through a closed circulatory system twenty-one days after conception.
 - 3. These facts cannot be reconciled with the idea that “life begins at birth.”
- B. Children are a heritage of _____; and the _____ of the womb is his reward (Ps. 127:3-5).
- C. The Bible says “death” is the body apart from the _____ (Jas. 2:26); if the body minus the spirit results in death, the body plus the spirit must result in life.
 - 1. What did God breath into Adam’s nostrils (Gen. 2:7)? _____
 - 2. The maiden was dead but made alive again when her _____ returned (Lk. 8:53-55).
- D. From conception onward there is life.
 - 1. Esau and Jacob (Gen. 25:22-23).
 - 2. Job (Job 10:8-12).
 - 3. David (Ps. 139:13-16).
 - 4. Jeremiah (Jer. 1:5).
 - 5. John the Baptist (Lk. 1:41).
- E. The Greek word “brephos” translated “babe” is used in the following verses. (Note that it is used in regard to both the unborn and born.)
 - 1. Lk. 1:41, 44.
 - 2. Lk. 2:12, 16.
 - 3. Lk. 18:15.
- F. Killing an unborn child is “shedding innocent blood,” an act God “hates” (Prov. 6:17; Mt. 19:18).
- G. Would crimes such as rape and/or incest ever justify an abortion? _____ What are possible options? _____
- H. Can a person who has had an abortion be forgiven? _____
- I. How can a person deal with the guilt that often comes from having an abortion?

III. Things we can do to reduce and/or stop abortion.

- A. Paul said to _____ for our leaders (1 Tim. 2:1-2).
- B. Teach (Mt. 28:19-20).
- C. If we _____ abortion is wrong, we need to _____ (2 Cor. 4:13).
- D. What else? _____
