

**Biblical Answers to Contemporary Issues**  
**#3 – The Sanctity of Human Life (1/18/09 AM)**  
**Psalm 139:13-16**

1. Is Abortion Moral?

***The Bible's Teaching on Human Life Makes Abortion Immoral***

Exodus 20:13, "You shall not murder."

Proverbs 6:16-17, "These six things the Lord hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him....hands that shed innocent blood"

The Bible reveals that the baby in the womb is a human being.

- **Scripture consistently uses the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ for born and unborn children**

The Hebrews did not have a separate word for an unborn child. Exodus 21:22-23, "If men fight, and hurt a woman with child...."

But if any harm follows, then you shall give life for life."

In the New Testament the Greek word *brephos* is used to describe babies, young children, and children in the womb.

Luke 1:44, "...the babe leaped in my womb for joy."

Luke 2:12, "You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths.."

Luke 18:15, "Then they also brought infants to Him..."

**Calling a Baby a Fetus Doesn't Change the Fact that It Is a**

- **The Bible connects personhood with**

Psalm 51:5, "...in sin my mother conceived me."

The original sin of Adam is passed on to each individual at the moment of conception. Only an actual person can have a sinful nature. The Bible consistently refers to unborn children as individual people.

Samson - Judges 13:5

Jeremiah - Jeremiah 1:4-5

John the Baptist - Luke 1:15

Jesus Christ - Luke 1:31-33

**An Abortion Is the Taking of a \_\_\_\_\_**

- **The Bible declares conception and prenatal development to be**

Psalm 139:14-16, "For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb." (NASB)

The soul of a new person begins at conception. The body that will contain the soul begins to develop. Abortion in the eyes of God is murder and therefore immoral.

**An Abortion Is the Destruction of a Unique Creation of**

2. Is Abortion Forgivable?

***The Mother Is Abortion's Second Victim***

Abortion has been called "a trauma of the soul". Many women feel that God cannot forgive them. Many cannot forgive themselves.

- **There are physical and psychological \_\_\_\_\_ of abortion**

Know that there is no sin that is beyond the grace of God through Jesus Christ. Ephesians 1:7, "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."

**Recognize That Abortion Is Sin and Come to Christ for**

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3. What Happens To Babies Who Are Aborted?

***Unborn Children Go To Heaven***

The fact that they die shows that original sin passed to them at the time of conception.

- **Unborn children are saved according to the \_\_\_\_\_  
by the sacrificial work of Jesus Christ**

Matthew 19:14, "...for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

The analogy Jesus uses makes no sense if children die and go to hell. There is no age of accountability in the Bible but there is a condition of accountability, Isaiah 7:16.

This is the ability to understand the issues of sin and salvation.

The human author of Psalm 139 is King David. His reaction to the news of the baby's death shows David's confidence that his child was with the Lord.

2 Samuel 12:22-23, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

The personal connection to the Lord that began in the womb continues into eternity.

**Scripture Always Connects Eternal Damnation to \_\_\_\_\_**

(Revelation 20:12-13)