

A BIBLICAL VIEW OF ABORTION & THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

- *What should be used to discern truth from error and is the basis for all our faith & practice?*

A. IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT ABORTION

1. Abortion and infanticide were important moral issues in _____ history.
2. In America, abortion became legal in all 50 states in _____ with the 7-2 U.S. Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade.

- *What was the court's reasoning for this decision?*

- *If a practice is legal, does this necessarily mean it is right in God's sight? (Prov. 6:16-17)*

3. The number of abortions in America since Roe v. Wade is approximately _____.

- *How does this compare to deaths in America's wars?*

B. BIBLICAL TRUTH ABOUT THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

1. According to the Bible, God views the fetus as a _____, using the _____ words for a baby in the womb versus outside the womb. (Luke 1:41, 44; 2:12, 16)

2. According to the Bible, God _____ to the unborn child in the womb as a _____. (Gen. 25:22-24; Job 10:8-11; 31:15; Ps. 139:13-16)

3. According to the Bible, God chooses certain _____ for special service _____. (Jer. 1:5; Luke 1:15, 41; Gal. 1:15-16)

4. According to the Bible, _____ is the one who _____ a person in the womb. (Ps. 119:73; Isa. 64:8; Ezek. 18:4; Zech. 12:1; Mal 2:10)

5. According to the Bible, those with _____ or _____ are persons whom God planned and created in the womb. (Exod. 4:11; Isa. 45:9-11; John 9:1-4)

6. According to the Bible, the _____ of Christ was present from the moment of the _____. (Luke 1:31, 35; Heb. 2:17)

- *What about Exodus 21:22-25?*

C. ANSWERING COMMON ARGUMENTS FOR ABORTION

1. “Every woman has the right to control her own body—my body, my choice.”
2. “A fetus may be alive, but it’s not a real person until it’s viable.”
3. “Abortion should be allowed so that unwanted babies aren’t brought into this world.”
4. “Abortion is justified in the cases of deformity, incest, and rape.”
5. “Abortion is needed today because the world is already overpopulated.”

D. RESPONDING AS A BELIEVER TO ABORTION

1. All believers should _____ the practice of abortion as completely contrary to God’s Word.
2. Your level of involvement or activism in seeking to overturn the practice of abortion is a matter of individual _____ and _____. (Rom. 14; 1 Cor. 10:23-33)
 - *If the Lord does lead you to get involved, what are some key points to keep in mind?*