

Exodus 21:22-25 – The Sanctity of Life

The Main Idea: Persons are persons no matter how small. They are created in the image of God at conception in the womb of the mother. Abortion is a biblical issue and concerns God. Therefore, abortion is injustice to the unborn. Abortion is murder and therefore should be outlawed in our land.

Introduction

1. This is a sensitive subject
2. Biblically, we speak of many sins, and we do not stop calling for repentance from any of them
3. Abortion is a biblical issue: Love for God and Neighbor
4. Two-Fold Aim: Give you a Clear Biblical Answer on how precious life is from conception to death and persuade any to adopt this view on Abortion

Science Knows that Life in the Womb is Human

1. Customer is King! We purchase products everyday – and
2. Sources: *The Developing Human, 8th Edition* & *Langman's Medical Embryology, 5th Edition*
3. Stages of Development within the Womb

Historical Christian Testimony & Secular Testimony

1. *The Epistle of Barnabas* in *The Didache*, 2nd Century A.D.
2. *Easter Message* by Bishop Dionysius of Corinth (260 A.D.)
3. *Letter from Julian to Arsacius*, 361 A.D.
4. Christians are Salt and Light: Stand for Righteousness, Biblical Justice → Abortion needs to be Aborted

Secular Objections

1. Keep Your Hands Off My Uterus!
 - a. The Government tells us what to do with our bodies all the time: Drugs, Indecent Exposure, Drunk Driving
 - b. Abortion is about *Convenience* and *Selfishness*
 - c. Children are a Blessing!
2. Rape and Incest: Statistics tell us that those who actually get an abortion, the numbers are almost immeasurable
3. So what if it is a Human Life, I will be Pro-Choice anyway (*Salon*, Mary Elizabeth Williams, Jan 13, 2013)

The Biblical Answer is Biblical Justice

1. What turns the Heart toward God and His ways is God's Word (**Rom 10:17**) - Authority is God's Revelation on Life & Death
 - a. Abortion is Spiritual Warfare: Individual Rights, Comfort
 - b. Our Response: God-Centered, Christ-Exalting Answers

The Biblical Theology on the Sanctity of Life

1. *The Imago Dei*: Man is Created in God's Image (**Gen 1:27**)
 - a. Violations of God's Image are Heinous, God prescribes the Death Penalty for those Violations (**Gen 9:6**)
 - b. Man blesses God and curses People made in His Image (**James 3:9-10**)
 - c. Human have more Significance than any other created thing (**Psalms 8:3-6**)
 - d. Humans play God as Creator, rather than Creature and attempt to control life and death (**Job 1:21**)
 - i. God is the One Who Give Life and Takes Life
 - ii. Life begins at conception by the Lord's hand (**Ps 139**)
2. *The Fall of Man and the Seed of the Serpent*
 - a. God declared War on the Seed of the Serpent (**Gen 3:15**)
 - b. The Seed of the Serpent fired the First Shot (**Gen 4**) – Cain, the Seed of the Serpent, Murdered Abel (**1 John 3**)
 - c. The Seed of the Woman Perseveres
 - i. Adam's Genealogy – Seth to Noah (**Genesis 5**)
 - ii. One of Noah's Sons to Abraham, Isaac through Sarai
 - iii. Jacob, not Esau through Rebekah,
 - iv. Judah through Leah, not Rachel
 - v. Pharaoh, the Seed of the Serpent, declares war on all the young male offspring of Israel → all through OT
 - vi. **Luke 3**: Seed of the Woman is Jesus born of Mary
 - vii. Herod, the Seed of the Serpent, declares was on the male infants to kill the Seed of the Woman (**Mt 2:16**)
 - viii. **Revelation 12**: The Dragon tries to Devour the Child
3. *The Incarnation*: God chose to Send His Son through the Birthing Process, Conceived by the Holy Spirit
 - a. John the Baptist in the Womb leapt for joy – Elizabeth calls him a baby, prompted by the Holy Spirit (**Lk 1:41-4**)
 - b. The Angel tells Zechariah John will be filled with the Holy Spirit in the womb – Persons are filled with the Holy Spirit
4. *The Gospel*: Forgiveness in Christ is available for the person who has had an abortion, or supported abortion, abortion drs.