

“birth control” that is responsible for the destruction of a fertilized ovum (a child), or is suspected to be, would be a violation of other biblical principles, for this reason – it is sinful. Christian women ought, therefore, to refrain from the use of such devices.

May the readers of this article be very much aware that the God, Creator of our universe and all that is therein. This includes each of us with our various systems, which has among them respiratory, digestive, circulatory, to mention a few. However, may we not forget the reproductive system, which has many areas of purpose. God has provided it not only to provide a way of procreating the earth, but to fulfill our psychological and physical sexual needs. God made mankind with these needs. Thus, sex activity in itself is not sin. However, the fulfilling the need has caused him/her a great amount of distress. Self-Discipline plays a great part in it. If a person does not use this, which God provides, many problems come on the scene. An example of this can be found in II Samuel 11. King David saw a woman bathing. He no doubt took a second look and then a third, until he began to lust after her and sent for her. He committed adultery with her, as her husband was gone serving in the military. Then, when she told him

she was pregnant by him, he eventually had him killed to cover up the sin. Thus, the lust of the eyes progressed to where he committed murder.

Strange how the eyes, which should be used for pleasure, can lead one to lust after another. Of course, the parading around as some females and males do (nearly nude dress, and provocative apparel), setting the atmosphere for lusting probably has caused many unfaithful acts of sexual abuse. May we submit to God’s will and keep our sexual activity within the bounds of Holy Matrimony!

Plainly – now don’t get short changed. Let’s be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible (in Acts) teaches that to avoid hell and gain heaven - one must:

- 1) Believe In Jesus As Savior (16:31)
- 2) Repent Of Sins (17:30)
- 3) Confess Christ Audibly (8:37)
- 4) Be Baptized In Water (2:38)
- 5) Live A Christian Life (14:22)
- 6) Be Active In the Church (2:47)

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“BIRTH CONTROL & THE BIBLE”

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The Roman Catholic Church declares that the use of contraceptives as a method of birth control is sinful. They have an Update concerning the dogma. A copy can be obtained from the Catholic Church by the title, “The How and Why of Natural Family Planning” by Mary Shaivananda. It strives to demonstrate the difference between the early “Rhythm Method” (*sexual intercourse only during the non-fertile period*).

The Roman Catholic Church is not opposed to birth control totally, but is against artificial methods of birth control. In his book, *The Question Box* (which has the leader of authorized printings for the church, B. L. Conway writes: “It is perfectly ethical to limit the family, if the method is self-control by abstinence and continence. What the Catholic Church absolutely forbids is the limitation of the family, or contraception, by chemical, mechanical or other artificial means” (p. 339)

The pronouncement by the Roman Church is both illogical and unreasonable. In logic there is a law known as, “the law of the excluded middle”. It simply states that a thing either is or it is not. There is no