

"A B O R T I O N"

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More humans are killed by abortion than in all the wars. There were over 2,769,000 American military people involved in the Vietnam War. Out of all of these, 58,655 people were killed. Only 2,710,345 people survived.

In the past ten years over 15,000,000 unborn babies were involved in the war on abortion. None of those 15,000,000 survived. These unborn individuals have been killed by forceps, and burning away of the skin with salt solution. Since 1973, over twelve times as many have died on abortion tables than have died in the American Revolution, Civil War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam War combined.

Abortion is wrong. It is the intentional interference with a live human fetus intending to bring about its destruction. Anyone who has an abortion is just killing an innocent baby who has never seen the world.

Christians believe what the oldest, and most read reference book, the Bible says. God says, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations" (Jeremiah, 1:4-5).

Science says that when the ovum and the sperm unite, they become a genetic package ready to be developed into a mature adult. Nothing will be added except time and nutrition. Each stage of development from fertilization to old age is only a maturing of what is entirely there at the start.

Some people may ask, why would you bring an unwanted baby into the world? An unwanted baby in its early months might not be an unwanted baby when it is born. Dr. Edward Lenoski, a professor at the University of Southern California, has shown that ninety percent of battered children were planned pregnancies.

"Would you get an abortion if you were raped?", some might ask. Pregnancy from rape or incest is very rare, if the victim goes straight to the hospital. At the University of Minnesota, out of the 3,500 rape victims treated, no pregnancies resulted.

Some people argue that it is not a baby until it is born. The developing baby has a heartbeat at eighteen days, has a human brain function and moves at six weeks, and breathes at twelve weeks. It is a baby the minute it is conceived, how can you kill a gift from God that is living inside of you?

In conclusion, one must conclude that abortion is wrong. It needs to be stopped. Every individual has the right to live whether they are inside or outside the mother's womb.

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