

ABORTION, WHEN SHOULD IT BE?

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If you knew a woman who was pregnant, who had eight kids already, three who were deaf, two who were blind, one mentally retarded, and she had syphilis, would you recommend that she have an abortion?

Choose one of the following as to who was the unborn child?

- A) Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- B) Winston Churchill.
- C) Adolph Hitler.

If you chose any of the above you were wrong. The unborn child was Beethoven.

Adolf Hitler's (1889-1945; leader of the Nazis) death-camps were mild in comparison to our abortion chambers. **King Herod** had absolutely no heart when he gave the order to kill all baby boys two and under (Matthew 2:16). More than a million babies are slaughtered each year in the United States of America before they ever see daylight. That is more than twice as many lives destroyed annually as were lost in all of the wars in the preceding two centuries of our country's existence.

The taking of the lives of infants in abortion has been rationalized by the assertion that the "fetus" is not a human being. Rather, it is but a dispensable attachment of the mother's body. Such a position is neither biblically nor scientifically logical.

Then, some say, "But, the mother has a right to choose abortion if she wants, rather than to be bothered with this baby which is growing within her body. There will be dirty diapers, various childhood diseases, embarrassment, interference with education plans, inconveniences, etc.". The mother made her choice when she consented to cohabitation.

Sin is always wrong at any time or at any place, and when accomplished against anyone. Somehow or another, though, we are especially infuriated when innocent children are assaulted, there is a great cry against "child abuse." And yet, youngsters are being sinned against in so many ways in today's cruel world - like abortion. Exodus 20:13 says, "You shall not murder". (NIV) May the statesmen of our nation take this seriously and realize that they are going to be held accountable. Likewise, we are accountable to draw their attention to this sin.

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