

**SUBJECT:** Special Sermons.

**TITLE:** Abortion: From a Biblical Perspective.

**PROPOSITION:** To look and see where the Christian must stand on this issue.

**OBJECTIVE:** So we can all know where we must stand.

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. Read the text.

2. Regarding the text.

(1) Andrew Varga's definition of "ethics": "the study of the rightness or wrongness of human conduct" (*The Main Issues in Bioethics*, p.ix).

A. Before you can have right or wrong, there must be a standard by which we can measure the action (Jud. 17:6).

B. Before you can have real moral rightness or wrongness there must be an objective moral code for all men to follow.

(2) In the area of abortion people uphold the idea that everyone should do what is right in his/her eyes.

A. January 22, 2009 was the 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary of "Roe V. Wade".

a. Supreme Court upheld the woman's rights to have an abortion upon demand.

b. Supreme Court stated that the unborn fetus had no rights under the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment

B. Since that time a minimum of 54 million babies have lost their lives due to this war between good and evil.

a. We have the Viet-Nam wall to honor those who died. We are wanting to build a monument to the soldiers of WWII who lost their lives.

b. What about all the innocents who have lost their lives in the abortion war?

(3) The issue of abortion has stirred up heated debates between the pro-death and pro-life camps.

A. The emotion in the pro-life camps comes about because we hate to see children abused; abortion is the ultimate child abuse.

B. The emotion in the pro-death camps comes about because women want to carry on a career, cheat on their husbands, etc.,.

C. As this subject does stir the emotions it is important that all know why abortion is wrong. As we are challenged to give an answer, let us be ready to give one (1 Pet. 3:15).

3. Reference to S.T.P.O.

### **DISCUSSION:** IN OUR LESSON LET US NOTICE—

#### I. WHEN THE BIBLE SAYS HUMAN LIFE BEGINS.

1. Human life begins before birth (Gen. 25:23).

2. Human life begins at conception (Psa. 139:13-16).

3. The Bible makes no distinction between the life before birth and of that after (Lk. 1:42-44; Mt. 2:9).

A. Moulton said the following about the word “brephos”: “*a child*; whether born or unborn, an embryo, foetus, Lu. 1:41,44; or just born, *an infant*, Lu. 2:12,16; Ac 7.19 or partly grown, Lu 18:15; 2 Tim. 2:15” (*The Analytical Greek Lexicon Revised*, p.73).

B. God was so strict about the safety and welfare of the unborn that he made a law to regulate it (Ex. 21:22-23).

#### II. OBJECTIONS RAISED BY PRO-ABORTIONISTS.

1. The fetus is not fully formed, therefore not human. What is it then? (Gen. 1:24).

2. What about rape and/or incest.

A. Will the abortion take away the pain of the rape or incest? No!

- B. What crime has the unborn child committed? None. (Mk. 10:14,15).
3. What about the children who are not perfect; who have some health, mental or physical defect? (1 Cor. 12:22,23).
- A. President Roosevelt; Helen Keller; Einstein; and Dr. Stephen Hawking.
- B. Should my mother have aborted me (Dyslexic, ADD). Should we have aborted Thomas (Dyslexic, ADD)?
4. What about unwanted children.
- A. Isn't it better to terminate them before birth so they won't have to be unwanted (Mt. 19:18).
- B. Sort of like the old argument for slavery: "Isn't it better to enslave them and take care of them rather than put them out unprepared or unable to take care of themselves?" The latter was stated by someone who was free; and the former was stated by someone who was alive.
5. I have a right to do with my body as I please! But the unborn is not the woman's body. It is a person all its own. Notice John the Baptist (Lk. 1:13-15).
6. You have no right to force your morality on me. We have laws concerning murder, rape, incest, stealing, etc., (Ex. 20:13-16).
7. What about where the fetus will take the mother's life? Eptopic pregnancy is the only legitimate reason for abortion. However, Planned Parenthood would go broke if that was the only reason they could perform an abortion.

### III. WHERE ABORTION IS HEADED.

1. It started out with abortions in the first trimester, then it went to the second then finally the third. Now they want partial birth abortions.
2. It won't stop there. Now they want embryonic stem cell research.

- A. They want to create embryos for the purpose of withdrawing their embryonic stem cells which they know will kill the embryo.
- B. However, this does not matter as long as it helps others get well.

## **CONCLUSION**

SUMMARY: We have seen—

1. When the Bible says life begins.
2. Objections by pro-abortionists.
3. Where abortion is headed in the future.

APPEAL: All abortion is sinful because it is murder. We as Christians cannot and must not stand by and allow it.

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