

Chapter 23: Abortion: The Scourge of a Nation

Life Application Verses:

Job 31: 15. Did not he who made me in the womb make them? Did not the same one form us both within our mothers?; **Psalms 22: 9-10.** Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast. From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother's womb you have been my God; **Psalms 139: 13-16.** For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be; **Isaiah 44: 2.** This is what the LORD says—he who made you, who formed you in the womb, and who will help you; **Isaiah 46: 3-4.** Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all you who remain of the house of Israel, you whom I have upheld since you were conceived, and have carried since your birth. Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you; **Isaiah 49: 5.** And now the LORD says—he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength; **Jeremiah 1: 4-5.** The word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations"; **Luke 1: 41-42, 44.** When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice she exclaimed: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy."

The title of this chapter, *Abortion: The Scourge of a Nation*, is a very difficult topic to write about. Not because it is difficult to write down on paper, but because of the nature of the topic and its implications to Legalized Murder¹. I am not an attorney, nor do I profess to be a scholar of the law. I am, however, the father of two grown children and one granddaughter and one grandson. We lost one grandchild who died in the first trimester of life. You might be of the opinion that my use of the term 'legalized murder' is harsh or brutal language to define the practice of abortion. What I offer you in rebuttal are two things: 1) Did you read the Life Application Verses? How can anyone, Christian or otherwise, ignore the very Words of God when He clearly states that life is not only Precious, but begins in the womb? My

¹ See http://www.law.cornell.edu/supct/html/historics/USSC_CR_0410_0113_ZO.html, Roe v. Wade (No. 70-18)

apologies, but I simply cannot defend those who are Pro-Choice, because they will give a full account one day before the very God that considers life to begin in the womb. As I have noted in other chapters of this book, ***it is a terrible thing to fall into the Hands of an Angry God.*** I refuse to relinquish the belief that God is anything other than ANGRY at our legalized murder of millions of unborn children; 2) the video of our precious grandchild that did not survive to be born into this family. That video, clearly showed a tiny body moving in the womb. There was life, and my wife and I and my daughter watched in awe as that little person was dancing before the very God that gave that life. Why this new person was not allowed to progress to birth and a life outside the womb is a mystery that I and the family will one day ask God about. But, we did not ***ever*** consider abortion. Not for an instant in time.

The images you see here are our granddaughter and grandson. The image on the left is Dakota at about 10 months old; the image on the right is Dakota and her little brother, Santiago. She is now 7 and he is nearing 20 months old at this writing. They are the joys of our lives and God has blessed us with an angel and a rambunctious angel, just as He has blessed so



many families in the nation, and in the world. When I consider the legislation that was passed in Roe v. Wade, and all subsequent legal pros and cons, and the issue discussed in the public forum of public opinion, I can't help but think about my three



grandchildren—one who now resides in the Arms of My God, and the ones you see here. I think of all the millions of unborn babies that have been terminated before their lives were allowed to continue to maturity in the womb and reach birth. When you read The Life Application Verses, it leaves no room for interpretation. There is no ambiguity about the formation of life in the womb from God. In Jeremiah, 1: 4-5, God explicitly declared: “The word of the LORD came to me, saying, ***‘Before I formed you in the***

womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations’.” Is there any lack of clarity to the people of this world that if God declares that “He knew this person before he formed him in the womb”, then He surely knows each and every life today before He forms them also in the womb? In my simple mind, I see God as The Creator of All Things—and this includes Life at pre-conception as defined by God Himself.

The arguments are: a) when does life begin; and, b) the fetus is not a baby until it is actually outside the womb, what rights does it have? **INSANITY!!!!!!!!!!!!** God, how dare we slight Your gift of life? We have brought ourselves to a new low in our political correctness and it is a scourge on this nation. We have terminated=killed thousands upon thousands of unborn children. Their lives have been brutally extinguished before they even had a chance to take their first breath of life. I write this with the pain of the first grandchild who, in Your Holy Reasoning, did not survive. I write this with the love of our granddaughter for whom I believe with all that is in me, an Angel from Heaven; and, our little grandson, who is a bundle of energy and a sweet heart to all. I write this in the knowledge that every day, we practice legalized murder: its politically correct name is Abortion and it is the scourge of a nation. Stated in the anti-context of this book: Heavenly Mindless, Earthly Bad. We have intentionally turned our back on the Heavenly Minded nature of God to do as much Earthly Bad against the unborn as we can—and we legalized our nation to do it in the name of Pro-Choice!

God, we have lost our way, our senses, and our affinity for the unborn. I know that there is a Host of the Children of God who despise abortion. This Host needs to pray about this to such a degree that these Prayers become a Trumpet Call before Your Throne of Grace and Mercy. Oh that we would be like a storm as our Prayers call on You to remember these murders! One source to validate what is under discussion is the *Pro-Life Action League* at <https://proliffeaction.org/>. According to the Guttmacher Institute², there were 1.21 million abortions performed in the United States in 2008. A follow-up from the web site has posted the following question due to the political fallout of recent times and into 2017 under President-elect Donald Trump: How many abortions does Planned Parenthood perform each year? Here is

² Source: Jones, Rachel K. and Kathryn Kooistra. "Abortion Incidence and Access to Services in the United States, 2008." *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health* 43, no. 1 (2011, March): 41-50.

the response: “In 2014, Planned Parenthood performed 323,999 abortions, or approximately 31% of all abortions, making them the largest abortion chain in the United States. Even as the overall national abortion rate has declined over the past two decades, Planned Parenthood’s abortion numbers have increased substantially during this time period.”³ If we take the 2008 figures, this amounts to 3,322 abortions per day. **INSANITY!!!!!!!!!!!!** While other sites may have newer data, the trend as indicated by this data is beyond reason. Another way to state these data are that there were 3,322 life terminations per day, or legalized murders. What is legalized murder? The definition of murder, according to Webster is: “The crime of unlawfully killing a person especially with malice aforethought.” To terminate the life of the unborn, is this not “malice aforethought?” Furthermore, Webster defines to kill as: “To cause the death of (a person, animal, or plant): to end the life of (someone or something).” **INSANITY!!!!!!!!!!!!** Even if we use the words legalized killings to define abortions, the act is tantamount to telling God that we don’t care what He tells us in His Holy Word, we are going to continue to destroy the very lifeblood of these innocent victims. I simply cry out to God because this barbarous act against the most innocent of our species breaks my heart! Does it yours? Are we as a society so anti-Heavenly Minded that our ability to do Earthly Good for the unborn has become a national tragedy? I, for one, fear God’s Wrath during the time of Judgment. The wailing and gnashing of teeth will be so horrible to even contemplate, that I shudder at the very thought of what it will be like for those who willingly kill the unborn for financial gain, or dispose of their fetus as if it is just another day of casual living. You might say that I am insensitive to the situation of the individual; no, I am overtly sensitive to legalized killing using the pseudonym of Abortion while other options are available to these individuals!

On the pages that follow, in February 2011, an article appeared in *The Montgomery Advertiser* about ProLife people and organizations. You will see my response, and I encourage you to read the original article (see p. 5) so that you have the facts before you if my article is ‘too harsh.’ What the writer of the original article stated was so heartless, I was furious. What I am saying to you Christians is that we cannot stand idly by and do nothing! You have to get involved in this, write your senators and congressmen, elect ProLife candidates, protest unjust

³ Guttmacher Institute. “Facts on Induced Abortion in the United States.” September 2016. [Link](#).

Planned Parenthood Federation of America. *Planned Parenthood Federation of America 2014-2015 Annual Report*. [Link](#).

laws, Pray for God's intervention, shed tears that our future generations are being decimated by this man-made horror, and, stand-in-the-gap for our unborn. These little lives are so innocent, yet they are the target of our so-called humanistic, civilized society. Civilized? I think not! What a travesty! These lives cry out to God for Mercy and one day, balancing the scales of Justice. Read The Life Application Verses again and then imagine what it must be like for God as we take the very lives that exist in the womb! Who, but God, knows what might have been the life achievement of anyone of these millions of aborted babies? We might have terminated the individual God selected to discover the cure for Cancer. Is this a stretch? Did you intently read The Life Application Verses? Dear Christian Brother or Sister, I'm not yelling at you. I am just overwhelmed at our callous nation.

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Letters: Don't Let Lies Pass As Facts

"The moment we begin to fear the opinions of others and hesitate to tell the truth that is in us, and from motives of policy are silent when we should speak, the divine floods of light and life no longer flow into our souls." -- Elizabeth Cady Stanton

We are silenced not only by fear, but by exhaustion, inertia, disillusionment, and disbelief. How can we still be fighting the fight to decide, as women, whether or when to bear children?

Recently a leader of a local anti-abortion group was quoted as saying that women who have had abortions are two and one-half times more likely to abuse their children. This is a lie. The truth is that child abuse increases when women are forced to bear children they do not want and cannot nurture and care for.

A recent editorial cartoon depicted a birthday cake, with lit "3" and "2" candles and "Roe v. Wade" written on it. The cake was decorated with bones and little skulls all around the edge and pools of blood on the table. What an upside-down sentiment and what a lie. A fetus is not a child. Abortion is not murder. The truth is that countless women's lives have been saved by legal abortion.

The new Congress is poised to further restrict access to safe, legal abortion. We cannot continue to stand silent in the face of atrocious lies presented as fact. Let us no longer hesitate to speak truth and to demand justice and equality for our sisters.

Cheryl T. Sabel

Montgomery

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR 14 FEB 2011

Choice of words disturbing

In the wake of the recent tragic shooting in Arizona there has been much discussion regarding the impact words can have on mentally unstable individuals and those prone to violence. It was disturbing to hear that our distinguished senator from Gardendale, Scott Beason, had no problem using the words "empty the clip" when addressing the illegal immigration issue during a recent speech in Cullman.

It is hard to understand how a public figure could be that clueless. If the senator actually sees no problem with his word choice then it would be easy to dismiss him as simply lacking common sense. But if he chose his words to boost his standing with those on the far right then shame on him and he should not insult our intelligence with his lame explanation.

Beason claimed that his use of the term was a metaphor and he was trying to demonstrate that it will take a wide array of government action rather than a single bill to solve illegal immigration. But in the same speech he related a story about a family visiting a city being approached by a robber. He said one father might sympathize with the robber, another might pull a gun and fire one shot but another might "empty his clip to protect his family."

We have two references to emptying a clip in the same speech. In one he was actually talking about shooting someone and in the other, he would have us believe that he was only using the term as a metaphor. I am sure everyone in his audience clearly understood the difference.

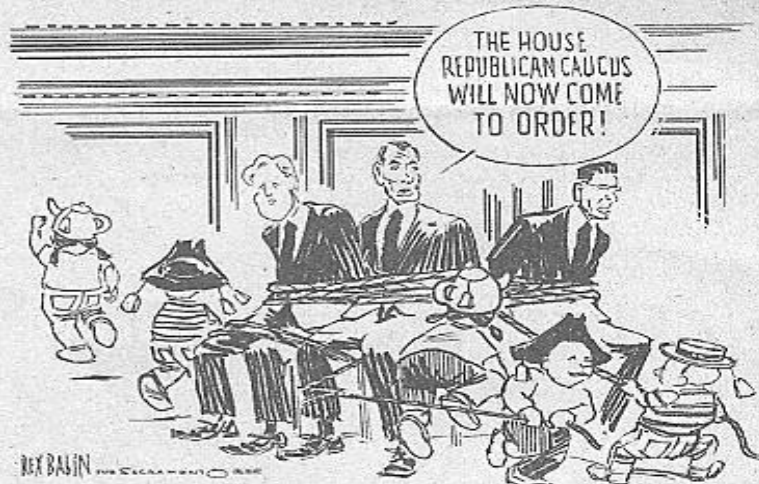
Michael E. Waters
Elmore

Abortions stop beating hearts

Abortion stops a beating heart. Period.

According to Cheryl T. Sabel, "A fetus is not a child. Abortion is not murder." She attacks an anti-abortion group as liars, while she opines a boldface untruth that a fetus is worthless and subject to be discarded.

I suppose the technologies that give us proof of a heartbeat or vis-



ually allow us to see the fetus 'jumping around' are illusions of sight and sound? A fetus is a child who has not had the opportunity to mature and experience birth.

A baby becomes a child in time; a youth will never reach adulthood until he or she matures. So it is with a fetus. After nine months, assuming a healthy fetus, a baby is born. This does presuppose that we don't terminate the process. Ms. Sabel.

Terminating the process of life via an abortion is selective murder. It does stop a beating heart. It is a vile process however you try to "policy" it away.

Ms. Sabel quoted Elizabeth Cady Stanton: "The moment we begin to fear the opinions of others and hesitate to tell the truth that is in us, and from motives of policy are silent when we should speak, the divine floods of light and life no longer flow into our souls."

Precisely. Abortion ensures that life no longer flows into those precious unborn souls. Any other explanation is an absolute lie.

K. Edward Scott
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No demonstrations at re-enactment

On Feb. 19 at the state Capitol, there will be a re-enactment of the inauguration of Jefferson Davis as president of the Confederate States

of America, approximately 150 years after the original event.

Since the inauguration was a very significant event in American history, and its historical commemoration is part of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War, I think it is an event worthy of publicity and good attendance.

However, I hope the occasion does not generate demonstrations or counterdemonstrations about current political issues involving race and states' rights, many of which have already been settled by constitutional amendments and Supreme Court rulings.

The commemoration should not be an excuse to glorify secession or slavery or to demonstrate for civil rights that have already been secured by law.

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On November 20, 2009, the *Manhattan Declaration & Signers* was released. At the time of this writing (Jan. 2017), the article was located at the following web site (content may change over time): <http://www.aoiusa.org/manhattan-declaration-signers/>. A partial section of the Declaration reads as follows. What is astounding are the signers of this document:

While the whole scope of Christian moral concern, including a special concern for the poor and vulnerable, claims our attention, we are especially troubled that in our nation today the lives of the unborn, the disabled, and the elderly are severely threatened; that the institution of marriage, already buffeted by promiscuity, infidelity and divorce, is in jeopardy of being redefined to accommodate fashionable ideologies; that freedom of religion and the rights of conscience are gravely jeopardized by those who would use the instruments of coercion to compel persons of faith to compromise their deepest convictions.

If after you read this Declaration, and in concert with Holy Scriptures, you are not moved to Heavenly Minded, Earthly Good in your life, please send me an email and let me know why⁴. Christianity is not what we are by definition, it is WHO we are in Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Question of Curiosity:

How many more unborn babies will have to die before we come to our senses? Or is it too late for our nation to repent and turn from legalized murder? Can you hear the voices of the aborted babies as they cry out to God? If you can't, pray that your Spiritual Ears will be attuned to those innocent lives as they cry out for Mercy and Grace and Forgiveness as Jesus cried out: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they are doing!" The tragedy: we know exactly what we are doing in terminating the lives of the unborn: LEGALIZED KILLING under the guise of "legal, safe abortion." God Help us and Forgive us for what we are doing!

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"The greatest destroyer of peace is abortion because if a mother can kill her own child, what is left for me to kill you and you to kill me? There is nothing between." ~ *Mother Teresa* ~

"You cannot have maternal health without reproductive health. And reproductive health includes contraception and family planning and access to legal, safe abortion."
~ *Hillary Clinton* ~

"To say a child is unwanted says nothing about the child, but it says much about the person who does not want his or her child." ~ *Jean Staker Garton* ~

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⁴ Email: skinner777@knology.net.

My Prayer For You:

Oh God, there are no words to express my sorrow when I think of the number of unborn who have died at the hands of many in our nation. In Your eyes, we have become a callous nation that places the Sanctity of Life in the hands of our political system to garner votes, not save the lives of the unborn. I pray for those women and families who have decided to abort their unborn fetuses because they thought there were few alternatives. Even if there was a legitimate reason to abort an unborn child, I leave that to You O Lord, the Giver and Taker of all Life. I Pray for an uprising by the Christian community to first of all open the Prayer-gates before Your Throne of Mercy, Grace, and Justice, so that our petitions to save these millions of future unborn babies will find favor in Your Sight. I ask that Lord, also, that You move mightily among the lawmakers of this land and stir their hearts and minds to protect the unborn. Move us, as Christians, to stand-in-the-gap for these tiny Souls. As I witnessed when my own grandchild was jumping in the womb, life begins at conception, and that little person grows from that point until they take their own first breath. The tragedy, God, is that so often today, we snuff out that first breath from these tiny individuals as if it were a minor event in our society. O God of Heaven, shake the very foundation of our nation to wake us from the killings we condone. Shake the Earth Lord, that Your Holy Power will be felt from our front door to Washington, DC, and that our legislative leaders might fall on their faces and seek Forgiveness. In Christ, I pray, Amen.

Jeremiah 1: 4-5.

The word of the LORD came to me, saying,
"Before I formed you in the womb I knew
you, before you were born I set you apart; I
appointed you as a prophet to the nations"

*How many unborn lives have been prophets of peace,
life-saving surgeries, leaders who might have been
guided by God Himself in Christ to heal nations?*

Now we'll never know... will we?

“Let Me Live”

(As told from the perspective of the unborn and living child)

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“My cries unheard from womb I make,
From mother you come my life to take;
The God who made me hears my cry,
They want to kill me, O God, why?
Have I done so much harm yet?
Will my first breath I’ll never get?
I had no choice to come alive;
Yet, will I be granted safe arrive?
I see the man who’s come for me;
I have no place to run or flee;
My life is new can they not hear,
I tremble known and yes I fear;
My life, O God, will I see light?
Or die this day as in Eternal night!
Who speaks for me, keeps me from strife,
Does this mother hate my life?
When I die by the hands of man,
Will my mother remember me then?
Roe v Wade is the end of me,
They care not that I’ll never see;
The ocean, sky, or the world they know,
I’m just fetus, don’t let me grow!
As other babies have grown in time,
Oh God am I only worth a dime?
Let me live to see the day,
To experience things, O God, I Pray!
To run and play with my friends at school,
To draw my pictures in class and drool;
Over toys and Christmas that they all share,
If they kill me I’ll not be there;
Let me live to grow up strong,
To give to others, help them along.
I hear the instruments they’ve come for me,
With my last breath, O God, I plea;
Let me live that I may know,
What it is to one day grow;
A family, a life, a career someday,
For if they kill me, I’ll fade away;
Let me live that I can do,
For others maybe even you!
I hear my mother say to them,
Let my baby live!”

(I gave my mommie a little kick to say thanks!)