

Verses That Speak Against Shedding Innocent Blood

Exodus 20:13. *"You shall not murder."*

Murder in this verse refers to frivolous killing, or to the shedding of innocent blood. It does not refer to capital punishment or wars. (Who is more innocent than an unborn baby?).

Genesis 9:5-6. *"And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from every man. Whoever sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in His image."*

Exodus 23:7. *"Do not kill the innocent and righteous, for I will not acquit the wicked."*

Proverbs 6:16-19. *"There are six things that the Lord hates, and seven things that are an abomination to Him.... hands that shed innocent blood."*

Deuteronomy 27:25. *"Cursed be anyone who takes a bribe to shed innocent blood."*

Leviticus 20:1-5 is a command from God to Israel to not sacrifice their children to the false god Molech. If anyone sacrificed their children to Molech, they were to be put to death. And if anyone knew that someone was sacrificing their seed to Molech, but they did not do anything about it, then God would set His face against that person and they were to be cut off from the nation of Israel. How different are we in America that we are allowing our children to be "sacrificed" to the "god" of money? Because money is the driving force behind abortion. And how different is the Church that we know about this, but are doing NOTHING?

God's Word to People about the Shedding of Innocent Blood

Proverbs 31:8. *"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, ensure justice for those who are perishing."*

Jeremiah 22:3. *"Thus says the Lord: 'Do justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor. Do not shed innocent blood.'"*

Deuteronomy 19:13. *You shall purge the guilt of innocent blood, that it may go well with you."*

Deuteronomy 30:19. *"I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing, therefore, choose life that you and your children may live."*

Psalms 106:38. *"They poured out innocent blood, the blood of their sons and daughters, and the land was polluted with the blood."*

Genesis 4:10. *"And the Lord said, 'What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.'"*

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www.epm.org/articlesaborhistory.html

www.abort73.com

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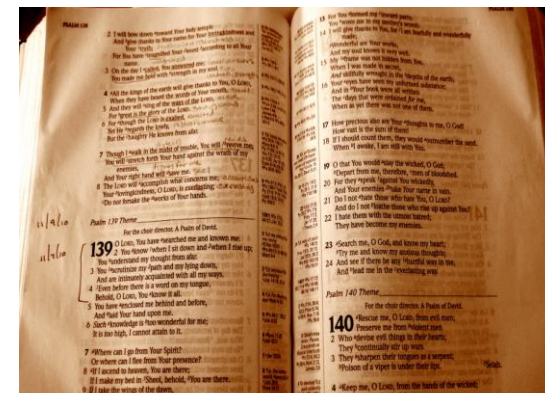
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God's Word on Abortion

In the 39 years of legalized abortion (1973-2012), there have been over 54 million babies killed in abortions, in America alone. Abortion is legal, but so was slavery at one time, and so were the death camps for the Jews in Nazi Germany. So what does the Bible have to say about abortion?

Nowhere in the Bible does it say, "Thou shalt not abort your children." But God's Word is clear that the unborn are human beings, and it clearly forbids the killing of innocent human beings. I will share with you some of the verses that support this, but I encourage you to study God's Word for yourself and see what it says, and then base what you believe on the Word of God (not on our or anyone else's or even your own word).

Verses on Life in the Womb

Psalm 139:13-16. *"For it was You who created my inward parts; You knit me together in my mother's womb. I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, and I know this very well. My bones were not hidden from You when I was made in secret, and formed in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw me when I was formless; all my days were written in your book and planned before a single one of them began."*

Jeremiah 1:5. *"I chose you before I formed you in the womb; I set you apart before you were born."*

Isaiah 44:2. *"I am your Creator, you were in My care even before you were born."*

Job 10:11-12. *"You clothed me with skin and flesh, and wove me together with bones and tendons. You gave me life"*

Life begins at conception, because we had a sin nature from the very moment of conception. Psalm 51:5 *"I was sinful when I was conceived."*

In Exodus 21:22-24 it says that if a person hit a pregnant woman and caused her "seed to depart from her" (meaning caused her to give birth prematurely), but there was no harm to the baby and/or the woman, then the person who hit her simply had to pay a fine. BUT if the person's hitting the pregnant woman caused her to give birth prematurely, and the baby and/or the mom were harmed then the person who hit her had to pay life for life... Clearly this verse indicates that babies in the womb are alive, and their lives are as "valuable" as people who are already born.

A Child is a Person Whether Born or Unborn

The Bible consistently uses the same word for a "born" or "unborn" baby. This is because God did not recognize a material difference between the two. In Scripture, there is not some special moment when a "human being" becomes a "person." Rather, he or she is a person from the beginning who goes through growth and development both inside and outside the womb. In the New Testament the Greek word "brephos" is used to describe the unborn, newborns, and youth. In Luke 1:44, the word is used to refer to an unborn baby: *"For when I heard the sound of your greeting, the baby leaped for joy in my womb."* (Note: this verse shows life in the womb, that the unborn John the Baptist, who was about six months gestation in his mother's womb, recognized the unborn Jesus, who was just barely conceived in Mary's womb, and John leaped for joy at recognizing Jesus). Then in Luke 2:12, "brephos" means a newborn. And in Luke 18:15 it refers to a young child. (In the Old Testament the Greek word "yeled" is used in the same way).

Verses on Children Being Valuable

Psalm 127:3. *"Children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is His reward."*

Proverbs 17:6. *"Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and children are the glory of their fathers."*

Mark 10:14. *"Let the little children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such as these belongs the kingdom of heaven."*

Matthew 18:5. *"Whoever welcomes one child like this in My name welcomes Me."*

Personhood/Value Comes from God

According to the Bible, our worth as a human being, or our "personhood" does not depend on our age, development, mental abilities, talents, looks, or anything else. We are valuable because, as Genesis 1:27 says, *we are created in the image of God*. Each person is valuable because God created him or her with value by choosing to make each of us in His image. God did not make any of the rest of His creation in His image, not the animals, not the plants, only human beings.

There are those in our society today who want to determine when life begins or when we received personhood. But all the ideas they come up with are subjective and are based on man's opinion, which is always changing and is different from person to person. Only Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever; and only His Word will endure forever. And He has already told us in His Word when life begins, and when we receive personhood. We need to base everything we believe, including what we believe about life on God's Word.