

Abortion

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“. . . **Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder. . .**” — Mat. 19:18.

- It is morally wrong to murder a person made in the image and likeness of God (Ge. 9:5-6; Ex. 20:13; 21:12,14,22-23; 23:7; Le. 24:17; Nu. 35:31; De. 5:17; 27:25).

- From the moment of conception, an unborn baby is a distinct person made in the image and likeness of God (Job 10:8-12; 31:15; 34:19; Psa. 139:12-19; Isa. 49:1,5; Jer. 1:5).

- David was a person from the moment of his conception.

Psalms 51:5 (KJV) *Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.*

- Job was a person from the moment of his conception.

Job 3:3 (KJV) *Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child conceived.*

- John the Baptist was a person while in his mother's womb (Lu 1:13-17, 39-44).

- The Lord Jesus Christ was a person while in Mary's womb (Mt. 1:18-25).

Matthew 1:23-25 (KJV) *Behold, a virgin **shall be with child**, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him*

his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

- God calls some persons to His future service while they are yet in the womb (Isa. 49:1,5; Jer. 1:5; Lu. 1:13-17; Ga. 1:15-16).

Jeremiah 1:5 (KJV) *Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.*

- In the New Testament, the same Greek word (*brephos*) is used to describe an unborn baby inside the womb as is used to describe a person outside the womb (Lu. 1:41,44; 2:12,16; 18:15; Ac. 7:19; 17:28-29; 2Ti. 3:15; 1Pe. 2:2).

- God hates "hands that shed innocent blood."

Proverbs 6:16-17 (KJV) *These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and **hands that shed innocent blood,***

Abortion may be legal according to man's law, but it is cold-blooded murder according to God's law.