

I. Introduction

- A. **A Tragic Anniversary: January 22, 1973** *35 million abortions in 25 years.*
- B. **What is Abortion?**
 - 1. **Abortion is the act by which the life of a baby in the womb (embryo or fetus) is deliberately and artificially terminated.**
 - 2. **The Procedure Takes Place through a Variety of Techniques.** (See brochure)
- C. **The Medical Question: When Does Life Begin? (Conception? Viability? Birth?)**
 - 1. **It is widely recognized that human life begins at conception and continues until death.** (See appendix A) .
 - 2. **The Development of the Infant in the Womb** (See brochure)
 - 3. **Abortion is the Taking of a Human Life.**
 - 4. **What Should Those Who are Unsure Do?** *When in doubt, choose life!*

II. According to the Bible, Abortion is The Unjust Taking of a Human Life (Murder).

- A. **The Sanctity of Human Life.**
 - 1. **Man is Uniquely Created in God's Image.** **Gen. 1:27 2:7 Ps. 8:4-5** *God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them.*
 - 2. **God Has Placed Special Protection over Human Life.** **Gen. 9:5-6 Ex. 20:13** *Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, For in the image of God He made man.*
 - 3. **God Alone has the Right to Give and to Take Life.** **Dt. 32:39 Ps. 31:15 Heb. 9:27** *There is no god besides Me; It is I who put to death and give life...*
- B. **The Unborn Child is a Human Life, Precious and Important to God.**
 - 1. **God Forms the Child in his Mother's Womb.** **Ps. 139:13-16 Job 31:15 10:8-12 Ecc. 11:5** *You formed my inward parts; You did weave me in my mother's womb.*
 - 2. **The Infant in the Womb is Fully Human (including sinful).** **Ps. 51:5 58:3** *Behold I was brought forth in iniquity and in sin my mother conceived me.*
 - 3. **God Loves and Calls His Servants, even from before their Birth.** **Isa. 44:2,24 49:1-2 Jer. 1:4-5 20:17 Gal. 1:15** *The Lord called Me from the womb.*
 - 4. **The Same Words are Used for a Child in and Outside of the Womb.** **Ex. 21:4,22 Luke 1:15,41-42,44, 31 2:16 18:15 Acts 7:19** *(John the Baptist and Jesus)*
 - 5. **God Judges those who Slay or harm the unborn or helpless.** **II Kn. 8:11-12 15:16 Amos 1:13** **Ex. 1 Mt. 2:16-18** *Thus says the LORD, for three transgressions for the sons of Ammon and for four I will not revoke its punishment, Because they ripped open the women of Gilead In order to enlarge their borders...Menahem struck Tiphseh and he ripped up all its women who were with child.*
 - 6. **Those Who Caused Harm to an Unborn Child were to be Punished.** **Ex. 21:22-24**
 - a. **An accidental miscarriage to be fined (manslaughter?)? (NAS)**
 - b. **Or premature birth (if harm is done an eye for an eye is required).(KJV, NIV)**

III. The Philosophy Behind Abortion: Why Merely Outlawing Abortion will not Entirely Solve the Problem. Our Nation has a Serious Heart Problem.

- A. **Naturalistic Atheistic Evolutionism which Denies the Sanctity of Human Life.**
 - 1. **Mankind is Treated as a Product of Evolutionary Chance.**
 - 2. **Evolutionism Leaves no Basis for Determining Meaning, Purpose, and Truth.**

B. Human Autonomy. Judges 21:25 *Self Deification*

1. **Rejection of Moral Absolutes from God. Judges 21:25** *Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.*
2. **Playing God with Human Life.**
3. **Selfishness. Matt. 2:16-18 Ps. 106:34-39 Lev. 20:1-5.** *Sacrificing our sons and daughters to the idols of materialism, pleasure, convenience, and pride.*
4. **Hedonism. Phil. 3:19 Js. 4:1-2** *You lust and do not have, so you commit murder.*

C. A Rejection of God's Design for the Family.

1. **Immoral Sexual Activity Outside of Marriage.**
2. **Children Seen as an Unwanted Burden. Ps. 127:3**
3. **The Destruction of the Family. Rom. 1:26-27**
4. **So Called Sexual and Reproductive Freedom Leads to Slavery. II Pet. 2:18-19**
They entice by fleshly desires... promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption, for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved.

D. This Humanistic Philosophy has Much Broader Implications (Moral Chaos).

1. **The Deterioration of the Medical Profession.** The Hippocratic oath: *I will give no deadly medication to anyone, if asked, no suggest any such counsel: Furthermore, I will not give to a woman an instrument to produce an abortion.*
2. **Playing God: Determining Who has a Life Worthy of Living.**
 - a. **Infanticide.**
 - b. **Euthanasia.**
3. **Exploiting Human Life.**
 - a. **Harvesting Fetal Material.**
 - b. **Genetic Experimentation (and Cloning).**
4. **Ethical and Legal Confusion (Schizophrenia). Judges 21:25** *Child abuse, animal rights, parental rights, children's rights.*
5. **If the right to life is not secure, all other human rights are at risk.**

IV. Answers to Objections.

A. What if the Baby Will not have a Sufficient Quality of Life?

1. **Every Child is a Wanted Child.**
2. **Poverty, Child Abuse and a Bad Home Life.** *These problems haven't been solved.*
3. **Birth Defects.** Lev. 19:14
4. **God Makes Us What We are and He Alone has the Right to Give and take Life!**
Ex. 4:11 John 9:3 Rom. 8:28 *The LORD said to Moses, "Who has made a man's mouth? OR who makes him dumb or deaf, or seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD?"*

B. Doesn't a Woman have a Right to Control Her Own Body?

1. **She Can Control her Body Sexually so as not to become Pregnant!**
2. **Rights of Privacy and the Freedom to Use One's Body are Limited.**
3. **Another Person's Body is Also Involved.** *Abortion robs someone else of a lifetime of choices.*
4. **The Fetus is Completely Dependent Upon the Mother.** *May we also exterminate other members of society who are weak, dependent, and inconvenient*

C. Arguments from the Standpoint of the Woman's Welfare.

1. **Most Abortions are Done for Personal Convenience.**
2. **Economic or Emotional Hardship on the mother.** *There are other solutions.*

3. **Cases of Rape or Incest.** *One heinous act does not justify another.*
4. **Risk to the Physical Health of the Mother.**
 - a. It is very rare to have to make a choice between mother and child.
 - b. If only one life can be saved, that life must be saved.
5. **Hard Choices Must be Made from the Principle that the Child is a Human Being**

D. Isn't this Legislating Morality?

1. **The Abortionists have Legislated Immorality.** **Isa. 5:20-21** *Woe to those who call evil good and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness...*
2. **All Morality is Legislation.**
3. **The Government has a Duty to Protect Life (Prevent Murder or Punish Murderers).** Rom. 13:1-7
4. **This is a Women's Issue.** *Are men interfering?*
5. **Abortion Actually Causes Harm to the Mother.** *Physical, Spiritual, and Emotional*
6. **Wouldn't Abortions Occur Anyway and in Unhealthy Conditions?**
 - a. All abortions are unhealthy (Fatal) for one person.
 - b. Murders, rapes & robberies still occur, but this does not justify making them legal.

E. Don't We Need to Control the Population?

1. **The World God has Made is Incredibly Productive.** **Gen. 1:27-29**
2. **Children are a Blessing from God.** **Ps. 127**
3. **There are Methods of Birth Control Which Prevent Conception.**
4. **This Argument has Led to the Atrocity of Forced Abortions in Some Countries.**

V. What Should We Do? Pr. 31:8

A. Personal Choices.

1. **Choices in your Family.** .
2. **Which Doctors will you Patronize?** *AMA 1871: "These men should be marked as Cain was marked; they should be made the outcasts of society."*
3. **Which Church Will You Join?**
4. **For Whom will you Vote?** .
5. **To Which Charities will you Give?**

B. Activism:

1. **Different believers have different gifts and Callings.**
2. **Do We have a Responsibility to Forcibly Stop Abortion?** **Pr. 31:8-9 24:11-12**
3. **When is Civil Disobedience Authorized?** Acts 5:27-32 Exodus 1:16-17

C. Persuasion: We Wage War, not According to the Flesh. II Cor. 10:3-5

1. **Political Involvement?**
2. **Informational Picketing.** *Warn expectant mothers, stigma upon abortionists.*
3. **Adoption.**
4. **Crisis Pregnancy Centers.**

VI. Concluding Applications.

- A. **God will bring Justice to the Guilty in Due Time.**
- B. **The Only Hope for Our Nation is Spiritual Revival!**
- C. **God Offers Forgiveness, Even to Murderers.** **I Cor. 6:9-11 I Jn. 1:7-2:2 Isa. 1:18 Ps. 51:12-13**