

ABORTION

Abortion statistics: (compiled from various sources)

US estimate: 1.2 - 1.5 Million/year – US totals 1943 – 2002: 43.4 Million

China estimate: 10 Million/year (1992) – China totals: 1971 – 2002: 290 Million

USSR estimate: 1957 – 1990: 250 Million

Worldwide estimates: 36 - 53 Million/year

TOTAL (worldwide) 1920 - 2002: 705,000,000 to 883,000,000

How many of your potential friends lost their lives to abortion?

Live births ~ 4 Million/year

>25% of pregnancies end in abortions

Roe vs. Wade: January 1973, US Supreme Court decision makes abortions legal.

How much does an abortion cost?

\$350 - >\$1650 – sliding scale based on number of weeks of gestation

Who profits from abortions?

How do they do the procedure? The standard method of abortion during the first trimester is called suction curettage. This is a very safe procedure in which the contents of the uterus are removed by gentle suction. The entire process takes about 5 - 10 minutes.
<http://www.ppmrcer.org/services/abortionFAQ.shtml>

When does life start?

- Conception?
- Birth?
- Sometime in between?

Where does the word fetus come from and what does it mean?

- Latin word meaning: "little one" or "offspring"

Do state-of-the-art 3D ultrasounds make it more difficult to claim that the "fetus" is just a "mass of tissue."

Are there theological reasons to support abortion?

Some arguments from Rev. Davidson Loehr

- Definition of god; symbol of the highest ideals concerning important things of life...does not refer to a "critter."

- god demands quality over quantity (human life).

- individuals living in "in-humane" conditions should be having more abortions. These places include "Mexico City, ghettos all over the world, and the Robert Taylor Housing Projects (Chicago)

- Babies should only be born to people who want them.

- Minorities find it very difficult to find people to adopt their children so more of them should have abortions.

- Women encouraged to have an unwanted child are being asked to be "breeders" for wealthier (higher class) people.

- Nazi's misapplied natural selection and hence, Darwinism. The Nazis were trying to preserve and promote a master race while Loehr is trying to raise the entire human race by encouraging the killing the unborn of those who can't be raised to a high enough level.

- Had a problem with friends who aborted a 2nd trimester baby that had a cleft palate. Doesn't favor sex selection abortions.

- Pro-life churches have no women ministers.



3D ultrasound showing baby sticking his tongue out.
<http://www.3dsono.net/>

What does the Bible say about issues relevant to abortion?

If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life, Eye for eye, tooth for tooth . . .—Exodus 21:22-25

Thou shalt not murder. — Exodus 20:13

For you formed my inward parts: you covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise you; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are Your works; and that my soul knows very well." — Psalms 139: 13-14

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. - Jeremiah 1:5