Abortion

Exodus 21:22 NKJV-Margin

Introduction:
A. 1,500,000 abortions each year.
1. More than all of America's wars (1,205,291).
2. More than German Holocaust--8 years ('39-'46) 6 million Jews, 8 years 12 million abortions in America.
3. More than Hiroshima (115,000).
B. A burning political and social issue.
1. "Pro-choice" vs. "Right-to-life" activists.
2. All sides often turn to tactics a Christian can not use.
C. What can a Christian do?
1. Probably very little politically or socially other than use teaching and influence.
2. Can teach respect for human life to any who will listen, especially our children.
3. More concerned with God's law than state's law--can be "legal" and still wrong.
D. We are concerned about three facets of the problem:
1. The Moral Climate That Creates Unwanted Pregnancies.
3. The Bible Indications that All Babies living in womb are Human Lives.

Discussion:

I. The Moral Climate Producing Unwanted Pregnancies.
A. Sex without marriage is fast becoming the norm.
1. "Living together" is acceptable family structure.
2. Teens becoming sexually active right under parents noses.
   a. Allowed too many opportunities for intimacy.
   b. Much of entertainment and activities sexually stimulating.
B. "Responsible sex" and "sex education" has little to do with marriage.
1. Emphasis is avoiding disease or unwanted pregnancies.
2. Only really responsible sex outside marriage is no sex. (Heb. 13:5; 1 Cor. 6:18).
C. "Career Woman" wants pleasure of sex but not responsibility of child.
D. Christians should have no unwanted pregnancies.
1. May not have wanted become pregnant--for a number of legitimate reasons.
2. Once it happens either purposefully or accidentally--Sense of love and morality wants that child.

A. Abortionists ignore fact that all human life is precious to the Lord. (Gen. 3:9:6; Ex. 20:13)
B. Abortionists find ways to justify abortion--but it falls far short of the facts involved.
   1. Does not recognize fetus as human being.
      a. All admit that fetus is living body--What is it?
      b. At what point does it so become human? (see chart)
      c. If admit it is human being, then have to admit it has a spirit. (Jas. 2:14-26).
   2. Some say it is not human being until it can live and breath outside mother.
      a. What about one who cannot live and breath without respirator in hospital?
      b. Does fact one needs assistance from mother, make him subhuman?
      c. Gen. 2:17 tells when Adam's & Eve's as created adults became living beings, not offspring.

III. The Biblical Indications That Babes Living In The Womb Are Human Beings
1. Job recognized that he and his servants were made in womb. (cf. Job 31:15).
3. Mary was "with child" early in pregnancy, "great with child" later. (Matt. 1:18; Luke 2:5).
5. Blood in fetus is human blood, not same as mother's, life in blood. (Acts 17:26; Lev. 17:4).
6. Babe in is living human being, so, must have spirit. (cf. 1 Kings 17:22; Lk. 8:55; Jas. 2:26).

Conclusion:
A. Shall we play God with those outside womb as with those inside?
   1. Shall we destroy physically and mentally impaired and call it "mercy killings"?
   2. Shall we kill undesirables and unwanted in society and call it "population control"? Like many use abortion and call it "birth control"?

B. Baby in womb is human being, with life, with rights of human being.
   1. Babies right to live is real issue, but mother's right over own body.
   2. When abortion is performed a human life is taken. Law may permit it, but God does not.