



Why Christians should embrace Abortion

NOT all humanists, atheists and freethinkers agree with abortion. Most non-theists would take the view that abortion should be left to the woman to exercise her freedom of choice. Most Christians on the other hand would vehemently oppose abortion on religious grounds, but are anti-abortionists and groups such as Precious life focusing on preserving the unborn's life at the expense of its long term spiritual welfare?

It is my experience from discussing the bible with many Christians over the years that most take the view that if a foetus is aborted either naturally or by choice, its soul will automatically go straight to heavenly bliss on the grounds that it never attained the age of accountability, though what that age is, is not defined in the bible, as no such doctrine exists. It is a man-made doctrine, conjured up to justify the untimely death of children and babies.

There are some Christians however, who are reluctant to give a definitive view on the subject. They simply say: God will be the judge. They think that this sitting on the fence approach lets them off the hook when it comes to difficult questions concerning the bible, but it doesn't. Only one of two answers can be correct. Either aborted foetuses go to hell on the grounds that they are contaminated by original sin or they go straight to heavenly bliss on the grounds that they cannot be held accountable. When I put the same question to a prominent Christian anti-abortionist MLA recently he said he was happy to leave the destiny of aborted foetuses in the hands of God. I have a feeling he had a view on it but did not want to commit himself as either answer would have generated problems. Few Christians will admit to the first option as that would be seen as abhorrent.

Who would want to join a church that believes miscarried and aborted babies go to hell? Most of us know women who have had the misfortune to suffer a miscarriage. I know one Christian woman who

had five. Are they all in hell? No sane person could possibly think so.

Christians who believe that all aborted foetuses get automatic entry into paradise quote verses such as: *"Suffer the little children to come on to me...for such is the kingdom of God"*. I have however, spoken to a few Christians – and it is only a few – who believe aborted babies go to hell. They state that God knew they would grow up to

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be unrepentant sinners later in life, so sending them to hell now makes no difference, as they were going there anyway.

These Christians take the view that one must accept and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and ask him for forgiveness before one is allowed into heaven. They make no exceptions. They quote verses such as: *"all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"*; *"the wages of sin is death"*; or *"there are none righteous, no not one"*. Some also go further and say that baptism is required. They quote Jesus who said, *"whosoever believes and is baptised shall be saved"*, implying that baptism is a prerequisite for entry to heaven.

I once asked a well-educated young Christian girl with whom I was debating where she thought the soul of a two-celled embryo would go if it died. She had no hesitation in telling me it would go to hell. To this day when I recall that conversation to others, I refer to her as, 'two cells'!

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these aborted foetuses guaranteed a place in heaven for eternity? On the other hand, if they are permitted to live they will have to take their chance in this big bad world, and the odds of them ending up in hell will be very high, since the bible tells us: *"broad is the road that leads to destruction and narrow is the path that leads to righteousness and few find"*.

It follows that if the bible is true, it's better to be deprived of a relatively short life on earth or no life at all in order to gain an eternity of heavenly bliss. This type of twisted logic is what we are forced to conclude when we read a book that is riddled with contradictions and ambiguous passages.

Another issue which Christian anti-abortionists seem to ignore is that the biggest abortion clinic on our planet is run by none other than God Almighty himself. Millions of natural miscarriages occur throughout the world every year – an estimated two million alone in the USA every year. It makes no difference whether one is a Christian, Hindu, Moslem or Atheist.

God is responsible for these natural abortions since he designed the human body to abort them, for whatever reason. We don't hear our local politicians mentioning anything about these.

If Christianity is true, and all aborted babies are assured of a place in paradise, then anti-abortionists are unwittingly condemning a significant percentage of babies to an eternity in hell by ensuring they are born into a world where the odds are stacked against them. Why would they want more souls to be sent to hell? Shouldn't Christians embrace abortion with open arms?