

KINGDOM SENDING CENTER'S POSITION OF ABORTION

We believe, first of all, that all human life begins at conception. Here are some biblical reasons for that belief.

In Genesis 4:1, it says, "Adam knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain." In Genesis 4:17, it says, "Cain knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Enoch." Both times the first two men on the earth procreated, it ties conception with birth. The baby became alive at conception and there is no time in between that is ever mentioned as a time when the baby became a human life.

In Genesis 25:21-23 Isaac pleads to the Lord for his wife to conceive. After conception, "The CHILDREN struggled together within her." It doesn't say the fetus's or blobs of cells. It says, CHILDREN. Then the Lord says to Rebekah, "Two nations are in your womb, Two peoples shall be separated from your body; One people shall be stronger than the other, and the elder shall serve the younger." God prophesied their destiny while in the womb. They were little humans, but God saw them as nations.

In Ruth 1:11, Naomi says, "Are there yet any more sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?" She was saying that there were no more male children alive in her womb that she could give birth to. There was no such concept that they were not children until they were born.

Job 31:13-15 is rather profound: "If I have despised the cause of my male or female servant when they complained against me, what then shall I do when God rises up? When He punishes, how shall I answer Him? DID NOT HE WHO MADE ME IN THE WOMB MAKE THEM? DID NOT THE SAME ONE FASHION US IN THE WOMB?" God made everyone in the womb and loved each one He made.

Psalm 139:13,14, says, "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. Creator God was forming our inward parts while we were in our mother's womb. That's why we're fearfully and wonderfully made. Our soul knows that His creative work is marvelous. What a genius of creation is the human body!!!! Science will never recreate such a wonder. They can only destroy it.

Ecclesiastes 11:5 says, "As you do not know what is the way of the wind, or how the bones grow in the WOMB OF HER WHO IS WITH CHILD," Again, it's not about bones growing in a "fetus." It's bones growing in the womb of her who is with CHILD!!! That baby in the womb is HER CHILD.

Isaiah 44:2 says, "Thus says the Lord WHO MADE YOU and FORMED YOU FROM THE WOMB,"

Isaiah 44:24 says, "Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, and HE WHO FORMED YOU FROM THE WOMB; Again, God was busy forming us in our mother's womb. It didn't start in the third trimester. It started immediately at conception. You were beginning to change and form instantly and immediately. You were in constant growth and transition. There was no one point when it all changed. Even at birth, there was just a change in the manner in which you were nourished. You went from the umbilical cord to the breast and from receiving oxygen through the mother to breathing on your own. But your heart had been beating for many months and you were constantly transitioning from one level of development to the next. Conception began the process. God orchestrated it all.

Isaiah 49:15 says, "Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the SON OF HER WOMB?" It was already her son in her womb before he was born. They were bonding for nine months and when born, she has a love for her child that has grown for all those months.

In the New Testament, we have the story of the conception of John the Baptist by Elizabeth and Zechariah, and the story of the conception of Jesus by his mother, Mary, through the Holy Spirit. In this story, the angel prophesied to Zechariah that his wife would conceive supernaturally as an elderly woman and give birth to John the Baptist who would be filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb. He also leaped for joy in his mother's womb when he came close to Jesus, who was in Mary's womb. Here is undeniable proof that these babies were human beings, even to the point of being filled with the Holy Spirit in the womb. Read Luke 1.

These Scriptures are far more than enough for anyone with an open mind, who believes the Scriptures, to know that human life has to begin at conception. From the first moment of egg and sperm coming together, a new life has begun and continues to transition till death. That's when we face our Creator and experience the joy or pain of eternity, according to the decisions we have made in this life.

We also at Kingdom Sending Center are in complete agreement with the legal presentation of Liberty Counsel (<u>LC.org</u>) regarding the reason for requesting a religious exemption from any vaccination which has been developed with the stem cells or other body parts of aborted babies.

The following is adapted and wholeheartedly agreed upon from their website by members or adherents of Kingdom Sending Center:

Though doctrine does not impact the personal decisions of whether an individual receives most vaccines, the following teaching of Kingdom Sending Center (KSC) demonstrates a principled religious basis on which we assert a conscientious religious objection to the current COVID-19 vaccines.

KSC believes that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, and every other stage of condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life. Psalm 139.

The Scriptures reveal that God knows us, even before we are conceived. See Jeremiah 1:4,5 ("The word of the Lord came to me, saying, '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."). And God's creative powers are effectively at work, while we are yet in the womb. See Psalm 139:13-16 ("For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.").

The Christian Church has condemned abortion – the killing of human infants while in the womb – from earliest times. The *Didache*, a conduct code of the early Christian community, dated by some as being as early as 70 AD, is in accord with Scripture, stating: "Do not abort a foetus or kill a child that is born." Loeb Edition of the *Apostolic Fathers* (also translated as "Thou shalt not murder a child by abortion nor kill that which is begotten."). *A Plea for Christians,* written around AD 177 by Athenagoras, stated, "We say that those women who use drugs to bring on abortion commit murder, and will have to give an account to God for the abortion." Tertullian, in his *Apologeticum,* written in 197 AD, wrote: "Murder being once for all forbidden, we (Christians) may not destroy even the fetus in the womb,"

Fetal stem cell lines have been used in the development of the Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, and fetal stem cell lines have been used in the testing of the Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines. See James Lawler, MD, You asked, we answered: "Do the COVID-19 vaccines contain aborted fetal cells?" Nebraska Medicine, August 4, 2021, <u>http://www.nebraskamed.com/COVID/you-asked-we-answered-do-the-covid-19-vaccines-contain-aborted-fetal-cells</u>. Thus, Kingdom Sending Center supports their congregant's religious belief that receiving a vaccine that uses aborted fetal cell lines in the development or testing of the vaccine violates their sincerely held religious beliefs regarding the sanctity and protection of pre-born children.