

# ABORTION

In the last third of the twentieth century, there has been an ongoing battle in this country concerning the status of the fetus in the womb and whether life starts at conception or at the time of birth. Many 'liberated' women feel that their bodies are their own and no one can dictate what they do with it, including having a child they don't really want.

The Bible is clear that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 3:16) and that we are to be led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14) and not by our own wants or desires. The bible even goes further to unequivocally state that our bodies are not our own.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

*"Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body."*

The Word is also clear that we are born of the will of God and not the will of man, and that He planned our coming and what we were to do before we ever existed.

John 1:12-13

*"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, {even} to those who believe in His name, who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."*

Ephesians 2:10

*"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."*

Are we living beings in the womb? Absolutely. Note that John the Baptist was but six months in the womb when he recognized his Aunt Mary's voice. Also, Jeremiah was called and consecrated in the womb.

Luke 1:41

*"And it came about that when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit."*

Jeremiah 1:5

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations."*

So, the bible indicates that the baby in the womb is life, and therefore abortion would be taking a life or murder; which according to scripture brings a curse on the land (Numbers 35:33).