

## Why I am Pro-Life

Life is precious and miraculous. For this reason and many others, I am pro-life. In this essay I will talk about the three main reasons why I think that abortion is wrong:

1.) Science proves to us that an unborn fetus is alive and that abortion, when it is successful, kills that life. 2.) Abortion does not show love to our neighbors like Jesus taught us to do. 3.) The future of every unborn baby has so much wonderful potential that only God knows.

First, science tells us that the fetus is a living baby, and the abortion procedure is meant to kill it. In the beginning, the egg and sperm unite to form a zygote, which is the start of a human baby that already has a unique set of characteristics. Many people think that a fetus is just “a clump of cells”, but advances in science have shown that a baby’s body begins to take shape soon after conception and develops quickly into a form that is recognizable via ultrasound imagery. Abortion always kills a human being no matter what stage the procedure is done. So it is quite clear that abortion is the murder of a baby in the womb.

Secondly, abortion does not show that we love our neighbors as we love ourselves. To teach us how to do this, Jesus told us the story of the Good Samaritan. In the story, there is an injured traveler lying on the road. Other local travelers pass by and ignore the injured man. Then along comes a Samaritan, a stranger from outside the area, who stops to help the injured traveler so he doesn’t die. This story can reflect that the

unborn baby is like the helpless traveler. He or she wants to survive but some just want it to go away so they pass by and let it die during an abortion procedure. This goes against what Jesus taught us in the parable – that we should put aside selfishness and help those who are in trouble, even unborn babies.

Lastly, I am prolife because each life has the potential to be great and to make the earth a better place. Babies that are killed by abortion have no chance to develop into the wonderful people that God intended them to be. The elimination of many babies through the years has undoubtably changed the course of our earth's history.

I believe that God created everyone for a good reason, and He never intended babies to die before they see the light of day. Mother Teresa spoke with wisdom and truth when she said, "The greatest destroyer of peace is abortion because, if a mother can kill her own child, what is left, but for me to kill you and you to kill me?" Hopefully, in the near future, abortion will no longer be acceptable, and unborn babies will be valued for who they are - precious, little people who have every right to live.