

Before You Abort Your Child...

According to prolife.com, in the United States, about 3,700 babies are aborted every day...approximately 1.5 million annually. There are 50 million abortions performed each year world-wide. The number of deaths that have resulted from abortions is greater than the total number of all those who ever died in any war. These helpless children are being murdered while they rest within the “safety” of the mother’s womb.

Consider what this mother had to say about the baby she aborted: “Two weeks after the abortion, I went into labor. I staggered into the bathroom. And there, with my husband beside me, I delivered a part of my baby the doctor had missed. It was the head of my baby . . . I’ll wake up in the middle of the night, thinking I hear a baby crying. And I still have nightmares in which I am forced to watch my baby being ripped apart in front of me. I simply miss my baby. I constantly wake up wanting to hold my child. And that’s something the doctor never told me I would experience” (Lori Nerad - former national president of Women Exploited by Abortion).

John the Baptist, when his mother received the news of the coming Messiah, leaped for joy...while he was still inside his mother’s womb (Luke 1:41). Of the prophet, Jeremiah, God said, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations” (Jer. 1:5). Unborn babies are *living* children who simply have not left the shelter of a mother’s body.

“I know millions of women across this country feel as I do about abortion. We all somehow know deep down inside that we alone made a horrible decision and no coined phrase about choice and rights or the denial of biological and fetal facts can ever erase the truth. For we as mothers instinctively know during those still moments of aloneness, that we ended the life of a separate human being growing inside of each and every one of us” (Susan Carpenter-McMillan - Pasadena, California). What choice will you make about abortion? --Adapted by

Learn How to Express Love

(1 Corinthians 13)

LOVE IS SLOW TO LOSE PATIENCE

I am content to wait without becoming angry when others fall below expectations I have set for them.

LOVE IS KIND AND CONSTRUCTIVE

I am cautious in my judgments of others and honestly seek to be a healing rather than a hurting presence in my relationships.

LOVE IS NOT POSSESSIVE

I don’t have to be in control of conversations and other situations.

LOVE IS NOT ANXIOUS TO IMPRESS

I can relax with who I am and don’t have to be the life of the party to feel secure.

LOVE HAS GOOD MANNERS

I respect the rights and dignity of others enough not to enforce my crude and thoughtless behavior on them.

LOVE IS NOT SELFISH

I’m not always concerned about the rights of me, myself, and I and find pleasure in others’ happiness and success.

LOVE IS NOT TOUCHY AND RESENTFUL

I try to understand others when they hurt me and refuse to let hostile feelings generate toward them.

LOVE FINDS NO DELIGHT IN THE SINS AND SHORTCOMINGS OF OTHERS

I don’t have to reflect on the flaws in other people in order to rest easy with myself.

LOVE REJOICES WHEN RIGHT REIGNS AND TRUTH PREVAILS

I get excited when injustices are corrected, and I am angry enough to pay the price of involvement when someone’s rights are violated.

LOVE EXTENDS THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT

I discount the validity of rumors and gossip and continue to believe the best about people until the facts prove otherwise.

LOVE REFUSES TO QUIT

When I’m tempted to throw in the towel on a person or cause, I pray for a second wind and hang tough to the end.

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