

WHY? THIS?

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10 WEEK ABORTION

**JESUS: "DO NOT SUPPOSE THAT I HAVE COME TO
BRING PEACE..." (MATTHEW 10:34)**

WHY HERE?

WHY ARE YOU PROTESTING MY CHURCH OR CHRISTIAN EVENT?

This is not a protest. This is a plea for help. We are pleading with Christians for the lives of preborn children.

WHY HORRIFYING PICTURES?

Because Christians deserve to know the truth about abortion — what it is, what it does, and what God expects us to do about it. Most Christians who have never seen abortion don't understand how evil it really is. Nor do they understand their own responsibility to "hold back those staggering toward slaughter" (Proverbs 24:11–12).



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**JESUS: "TEACH THEM TO OBEY ALL THAT I
COMMANDED." (MATTHEW 28:20)**

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH?

1. Obey God's command to expose the deeds of darkness (Ephesians 5:11).
2. Exhort Christians to work to end abortion — in their churches, in their communities, and in our nation.
3. Proclaim repentance, forgiveness, and healing for women (and men) who have aborted children (I John 1:9).

CHRISTIANS DON'T NEED TO SEE PICTURES; EVERYONE HERE KNOWS ABORTION IS WRONG.

The Guttmacher Institute reports that one in five women who get abortions identifies herself as a born-again or evangelical Christian (1). The rate of abortion among Catholics is equal to that of the general population (1). Christian couples have abortions because they don't understand how evil it really is.

BUT UGLY PICTURES DON'T DO ANY GOOD. THEY JUST GROSS PEOPLE OUT.

Countless Christian women have told us that they were going to abort their children, despite growing up in pro-life churches, until they saw our pictures. You can read their testimonies at www.AbortionNo.org. Other women wished their pastors had shown them abortion pictures before they aborted their own children.

AREN'T YOU ATTACKING THE CHURCH BY YOUR PRESENCE HERE?

No. We are simply exposing a pervasive and absolute evil in our society. And we are declaring God's Word. When the full truth is not being disclosed inside the Church, we will proclaim it on the public spaces outside the Church.

THIS IS THE WRONG PLACE AND TIME.

In Jeremiah 7:1–7, God commanded his prophet to "Stand at the gate of the Lord's house ..." (verse 2) for the purpose of confronting worshipers over the sin of oppressing the fatherless and shedding innocent blood (verse 6). Can there be a wrong place or time to save a baby's life?

WHAT ABOUT POST-ABORTIVE WOMEN?

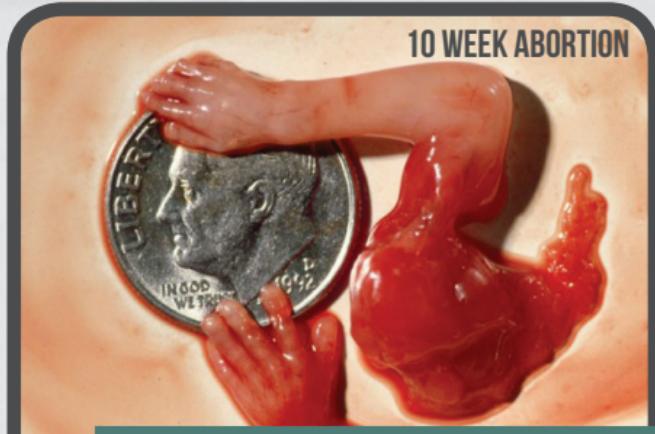
Countless post-abortive women have told us that seeing abortion pictures helped them move from denial to repentance, healing, and forgiveness. Many have also said that abortion pictures would have dissuaded them from their abortions had we reached them in time. You can read some of those testimonies at www.AbortionNo.org.

"I was never informed about the cruelty involved in abortion. The images that I have just seen broke my heart, and made me beg the Lord for forgiveness for my ignorance in having one done when I was 18. I wish that information was available when I needed advice on this matter." (22-year-old Christian woman)

WOULD JESUS USE BLOODY PICTURES TO MAKE HIS POINT?

FIRST TRIMESTER
(10 WEEK)
ABORTED FETUS





JESUS: "DO NOT MURDER." (MARK 10:19)

CAN ABORTION BE FORGIVEN?

"If we confess our sins, [Jesus] is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

WHAT ABOUT CHILDREN?

One advantage of teaching Christians about abortion inside the Church (as opposed to outside) is that sensitive information can be targeted to the appropriate age groups. But if the sidewalk remains the only available classroom, the question becomes, "Which is worse, one child being traumatized by a picture of abortion, or another child being killed by the act of abortion?"

MY CHURCH IS A PRO-LIFE CHURCH. OUR PASTOR HAS SAID SO. ISN'T THAT ENOUGH?

Your church may identify itself as pro-life, but what are you actually doing to end abortion? Most pro-life Christians are really doing little or nothing, because they believe it to be somebody else's problem. In the Parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus illustrated the difference between (a) the priest and Levite, who most assuredly opposed highway robbery in the abstract, but did nothing for the victim they could have helped, and (b) the Good Samaritan, who actually saved the victim's life.



**HE
ALREADY
DID.**

LUKE 23:26–33

YOU ARE CREATING DISUNITY AMONG CHRISTIANS.

Jesus does not love unity more than little children, whom He created in His own image. The Bible warns us against foolish and stupid arguments over small matters. However, abortion is child sacrifice, and child sacrifice is not a small matter.

YOUR PRESENCE HARMS OUR WITNESS TO THE WORLD.

Our Christian witness is badly damaged when we pursue unity at the expense of justice. Missionary aviator Steve Saint was once approached by a group of South American women who wanted to know if it was true that abortion is legal in America. He conceded that it is. One of his inquisitors asked, in essence, by what moral authority, then, do Americans take the Gospel to the world?



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HOLD BACK THOSE STAGGERING TOWARD SLAUGHTER. (PROVERBS 24:11–12)

ABORTION IS JUST ONE SIN AMONG MANY.

Throughout the Old Testament, God reserved his harshest language of judgment for the specific sin of child-killing. In Jeremiah 32:35–36, God called child-killing an abomination and declared that because of it, Israel would lose its national liberty. In Jeremiah 19:4–9, God said, “I will make them fall by the sword before their enemies . . . and I will give their carcasses as food to the birds and the wild animals.”

GOD HASN'T CALLED ME TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT THIS.

Christian leaders almost always say that they, their ministries, and their churches are doing everything that God has called them to do. Yet they are not even showing their own young people the horrifying truth of abortion. Nor are they doing very much at all (if anything) to stop the killing outside the Church. This compels us to one inescapable conclusion: Either (a) God doesn't care about abortion and truly is not calling His Church to respond, or (b) God is calling His people to be witnesses against evil, and His people simply are not answering His call.

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EXPOSE THE DEEDS OF DARKNESS. (EPHESIANS 5:11)

OUR FOCUS IS TO FULFILL THE GREAT COMMISSION BY DECLARING THE GOSPEL TO SINNERS.

The Great Commission has two parts. Part I is to make disciples (Matthew 28:19). Part II is to teach those disciples to obey all that Jesus commanded (Matthew 28:20). When Jesus listed the commandments in Mark 10:19, the first was, "Do not murder."

OKAY, WHAT CAN WE DO?

1. Stop abortion in your own church by showing abortion video (e.g., Choice Blues) and declaring God's word regularly (annually to the entire church and even more often to teenagers and young adults). Children who are old enough to get pregnant are old enough to see what abortion is and does.
2. Stop abortion in your community by being a public witness against evil. Do this on a regular basis.
3. Minister to abortion-wounded women (and men).

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