

the  Venues
Go Deep
What Would Jesus Say About...
Abortion
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Have you ever heard a sermon on abortion?

What point did the pastor try to make?

How did you feel when you left the service that day?

Read Exodus 21:22-25 and Numbers 5:11-31 (I know - lots of verses).

In the Exodus situation, what is the value of the baby compared to the value of the mother?

If you took the time to read the Numbers story what shocks you the most? That a woman had no defense? That a man had all the power. That such a barbaric, superstitious “test” would be given? That they didn’t think twice about killing the baby?

How do you deal with what the Bible says in these situations?

The view of Evangelicals used to be that God does not consider the fetus a soul...that a child was an individual person after the child was born. That’s certainly not the view today.

Why the change? What does that change in view tell us about the topic?

Read Genesis 2:7 and Psalm 139:13-16.

How can these verses be used by the two sides of the abortion issue?

What is the pro-life side missing in the discussion?

What is the pro-choice side missing in the discussion?

A data-driven approach shows sex-ed, low-cost birth control, and the economic empowerment of women are the best ways to lower abortion rates.

Based on the above statement, what can we do to reduce the number of abortions?

What do you think about the line “pro-life is pro-life, not merely pro-birth?”

How can you better understand and communicate with people who disagree with you on this topic?

How can you show compassion to those experiencing a crisis pregnancy or abortion?