

# LIES VS. TRUTHS—ABORTION

*Since 1973 when Roe vs. Wade legalized abortion, over 50 million lives have been lost to abortion in U.S. The lies that we are given about abortion are the reasons why men & women continue to choose abortion over life for their unborn child. These lies must be exposed & the truth spoken in love of what abortion really is & does to families.*

1. It is just a “blob” of tissue and not a baby.

*-We know for a fact that life begins at conception which is validated scientifically & scripturally. (Isaiah 44:24 \*; Psalm 139:13-16\*)*

2. Abortions do not cause any physical harm to women.

*-Not true... deaths due to abortion still occur & women can have long-term physical consequences (ie. Infertility, linked to increased risk of breast cancer). ( For more ,go to [www.citizenlink.org/FOSI/bioethics/abortion](http://www.citizenlink.org/FOSI/bioethics/abortion) & go to Abortion-a Deadly Choice & Abortion Consequences.)*

3. Must be “OK” to do because it’s legal.

*- Just because it is legal does not mean it is morally correct. (Exodus 20:1,13\*; Deuteronomy 30:19\*)*

4. Not many abortions occur today.

*-More than 1 out of 3 women will have an abortion by age 45. Over a million abortions are performed in the USA yearly. ([www.nrlc.org/abortion/facts/abortionstats.html](http://www.nrlc.org/abortion/facts/abortionstats.html))*

5. Mostly affects non-Christians. It doesn’t affect the church.

*-79% of women who gets abortions claim they are Christians &/or attend church ([www.gutmacher.org](http://www.gutmacher.org))*

6. I won’t ever have to think about the abortion again & it won’t affect me.

*-People will always remember that they had chosen to abort the unborn child. Many people “stuff” the memory of their abortion so they can continue being “OK” with their decision to abort. However, most men/women will suffer from post-abortion syndrome a type of post-traumatic stress disorder. Some symptoms are fear, anger, depression, addictions, eating disorders, etc. (For more, see [\*\*Post-abortion Syndrome\*\*](#))*

7. It won’t affect anyone else in my life.

*-It will affect your relationships as your view of yourself will change (subconscious or conscious) including your relationship with your current or future spouse & children.*

8. Only unwed teenage girls get abortions.

*-There are many women who get abortions who are older, already married and have children. (<http://www.abortionno.org/Resources/fastfacts.html>)*

9. Women choose to have an abortion because pregnancy will cause harm to health of mother.

*-No, in most cases of abortion, it is done for two reasons. They are economic in nature: they cannot afford a child, or they fear a baby would interfere with work, school or other responsibilities.*

10. It is only a woman's issue.

*-It is not just a woman's issue. Men are profoundly affected (spiritually & emotionally) regardless if he was for or against the abortion or even had a choice. It is also his child.*

[www.priestsforlife.org/afterabortion/redeeming-fathers-heart.htm](http://www.priestsforlife.org/afterabortion/redeeming-fathers-heart.htm)

[www.abortionrecovery.org](http://www.abortionrecovery.org) & go to "abortion affects" to "men/fathers"

11. It is only a political issue.

*-No, it is not. It has spiritual, emotional & psychological ramifications on the persons involved. God designed the man to be the spiritual leader & protector of the family & for the mother to be the nurturer of her children. When abortion occurs, this violates God's design of the family resulting in spiritual & emotional consequences.*

12. Abortion is the right choice if I cannot raise this child.

*-Adoption into a loving Christian home is God's desire for this child.*

13. Most women only have one abortion.

*-Studies show that once a woman gets an abortion, the likelihood that she has another one is very high. There are women who have multiple abortions (used as birth control).*

14. Abortion is about choice.

*-No, it is not. When you feel that you have only one option (to abort), that is not a choice.*

15. Abortion empowers women.

*-It does not as it violates God's design for human life & family relationships. Women are empowered when they can follow God's design & protect and give birth to their child even in uncertain circumstances.*

16. I'll always live in the shame/guilt of my abortion. It is the "unforgivable" sin.

*-Jesus Christ died for this sin & He will forgive men & women for their abortions. He wants them to embrace His forgiveness so that they will forgive themselves. In doing this, He heals & sets His people free. There is hope and abundant life still possible to all men & women who have been down the road of abortion.-*

17. Why do I need to go back & think about the abortion? There is nothing gained from that & it would only cause me harm.

*-Yes, it is painful to go back & think about the abortion. However, it is necessary for the mother/father to grieve over the loss of their child. It is all part of the healing process. When you are finally able to embrace the love of God & His forgiveness for your abortion, you will be able to let go your child into the arms of Jesus and there will be such healing and freedom experienced because of His redemptive love.*

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

**Isaiah 44:24** *"This is what the Lord says...your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb. I am the Lord who has made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself."*

**Psalms 139: 13-16** *"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be."*

**Exodus 20:1, 13** *"And God spoke these words.. You shall not murder."*

**Deuteronomy 30:19** *"This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live."*