

It Begins with a Lie

“You will not surely die,” the serpent said to the woman. (Genesis 3:4)

At times it seems unimaginable that Eve could have heard God’s words, “Don’t eat of the tree,” yet could have fallen for Satan’s complete twisting of the truth. It seems unreal – until we analyze how easily we can “buy the lie.” Even evidence to the contrary is not convincing enough for some people.

Consider the arguments for abortion. “It is only a fetus”; “It’s a blob of tissue”; “It’s a part of a woman’s body”; “It’s just a parasite.” For thousands of years, a woman has carried a *baby* in her womb. Science tells us that the supposed “blob of tissue” has a different genetic structure than his or her mother, can have a different blood type, and can even be a different sex. The “parasite” argument can be used for born children as well as the unborn.

Biblically, the evidence is undeniable. “You knit me together in my mother’s womb” (Psalm 139:13), the psalmist wrote. “I was sinful from birth, from the time my mother conceived me” (Psalm 51:5) is another testimony. Elizabeth exclaimed to Mary, “As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy” (Luke 1:44).

These evidences are incredibly compelling. Even expectant abortion-minded mothers often change their minds when they see the ultrasound of their living child in the womb. Yet, to kill this unborn child, one must ignore the facts and buy into the lies. To fall for the lies means that one replaces God as the top concern in life for something else.

Abortion is very appealing for those who wish to pursue a career without the “burden” of a child. Abortion seems to make sense for the parent wishing not to be “burdened” by a disabled child. Abortion is the confidential solution to a pregnancy exposing illicit sexual relations. For all of these things God’s will is being ignored for a different priority that makes “our” needs, “our” wants, and “our” desires more important than God’s will.

If there were any doubt over the “lie” of abortion, one can study the origin of legalized abortion. It was built on a lie. One of the founders of the abortion-rights movement, Dr. Bernhard Nathanson, wrote that abortion advocates altered polling information, recklessly bantered statistics without regard to the facts, and created new “abortion jargon” to mask the reality that in abortion a child dies.

When the matter landed in the courts it was also predicated on lies. Norma McCorvey, the “Jane Roe” in the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* ruling that legalized abortion, claimed she was pregnant as a result of a gang rape. She lied. McCorvey later confessed her pregnancy was the result of a one-night stand with a carnival worker.

When Jesus spoke to others who lied to accomplish their own desires, He said: “You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies” (John 8:44).

Demonstrate that you clearly care. Always follow and tell the truth.

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