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RESPECT LIFE ESSAY

Every day hundreds of babies are born. Every one of them is unique, one may be colicky or another may have jaundice. They all have one thing in common, a soul. It is what makes us human. It is what causes us to unite and be different all at the same time. The reason being; a soul is a gift from God not from our parents. A great way of knowing that babies are a gift from God is in Jerimias 5:1 when he says, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you" (Catholic Online). Every person should know that any gift from God; should be treated with the up most respect. However not everyone recognizes the fact, that a baby is precious and a gift from God. Therefore they have no problem in killing God's Gift through the process of abortion. According to the Abortion Counter there are about 38 million abortion this year, this translates to about 94,000 abortions a day (Number of abortions...). Even worse is the fact that the numbers just keep growing. It is so sad to see that a gift from God is being treated this way. For the reason that we are hurting God's gift of life, we should refrain from abortion. .

Most people do not give much thought as to the process of abortion. It may be in part because our society is so desensitized. Further, we make it so easy to take a couple of pills, contingent that the mother to be is between 2-12 weeks along. And voila the fetus is gone!

Not all abortions are the same. There are seven different types of abortions (Types of Abortions...). As most methods may not hurt the mother, they all kill the unborn baby. The most cruel abortion method is Hysterectomy Abortion as described by Advise & Aid which is a pregnancy center says, "This is the removal of an unborn child by cutting open the abdomen and uterus, and killing the unborn child prior to removal" (Types of Abortions...). Even the pregnancy center calls this killing. As you can see this method is much different from the other however the outcome is the same, death. This just truly shows that if people are desperate enough they will do anything, even kill.

Some people have the misconception that it is fine to have an abortion during the first couple of weeks because the “baby” is not there. That is not true, a lot of women who experience pregnancy have shared that their bodies have changed even during the first week of conception. They become more sensitive to smell and taste, but the most obvious symptom is fatigue (Lee). This just shows that the miracle of life does not happen without signals. A different point of view of how a baby lets you know that it is alive and growing. I like whenever you pet a cat it purrs; telling you it likes being petted. It works the same way with a baby but without the need to pet it. A woman who has not the desire to be pregnant may not feel that way. However she must keep in mind what is said in 1 Corinthians 10:13 “... You can trust that God will not let you be put to the test beyond your strength...”(Catholic Online).

In the introduction I mentioned that every person and unborn child has a soul and how we know that it is a gift from God. The best analogy for this is from my youth minister, Brandon, when he said babies DNA comes from his/her mom and dad, but those are just character traits. God is the one who gives the baby the ability to feel love, hatred, compassion and the ability to choose right from wrong. That is why a baby truly is God’s Gift.

Today, many women look at their life from a very narrow perspective of a job carrier, their fashion, their bodies, just to name a few. They view those things as their center of their lives. Unfortunately, they view a baby as an unsightly accessory that would alter their lives not for the better. A baby would impact the material life style, to some women this seems like the end of the world. In the eyes of the world, Our Mother had the not so perfect mother-to-be experience. Mary had many struggles once Gabriel told her that she was pregnant. At that time, to be pregnant and not married, meant that she is very likely to be stoned to death. She would have lost her family and her friends; because back then you do not want to be affiliated with someone who is pregnant and not married. She would have to stay almost all the time in doors so that no one would see that she is pregnant. At that moment Mary was scared but did the one thing that a lot of women forget, she trusted in God. She knew that, God had a plan. And then she was married to Joseph that is when everything changed, for the better.

Next time you or someone you know goes to have an abortion think of how you are not only hurting the baby but also God's gift. And even though you do not notice a belly, there are changes that point to God's miracle of life. Whenever you think of a baby, think of how the baby is a gift from God not a curse.

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