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<p>Note the following:  ...do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.” Jeremiah 22:3  “That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be upon thee.” Deuteronomy 19:10  “These six things doth the Lord hate: and hands that shed innocent blood. Proverbs 6:16,17. (See also 2 Kings 24:4, Deuteronomy 19:13 and Deuteronomy 21:9)  Except for the blood of Jesus, there can surely be no blood more innocent than that of those bodies being newly formed in the womb by the hand of God. The burden of guilt described in the above passages falls on anyone responsible for terminating the life of the unborn.</p>	<p>How can anyone hold that the tiny body can be alive, but safe to kill because it may not yet be a human being or have received it’s soul? You receive your soul at the moment of conception!</p> <p>Surely, God knew what He meant in Jeremiah 1:5 when He said, “Before I formed thee in the belly I Knew thee,” and the Holy Spirit, through David makes it clear that “all my members were written...when as yet there was none of them!” Psalm 139:16</p> <p>If Jeremiah or David had been conceived in our time in history, could his developing body have been aborted, and yet he would not be the victim of murder? The Holy Bible does not state when the soul and body are united.</p>	<p>Even if one were to hold that, just possibly, the soul enters the body at some later time than conception, would he want to risk the wrath of God on such an unprovable matter, and teach men so?</p> <p>Yet some might do so, because there are many who do not believe the truth of the teachings of the Scriptures! But for those among us who still tremble at the Word of God, the thought that God said to Cain, “The voice of thy brother’s blood crieth unto me from the ground!” Genesis 4:10, brings with it the terrible burden of those voiceless millions in the world whose innocent blood is being shed year after year. The there are countless voices of babies being murdered daily around the world and they are crying from the ground unto God!</p> <p><a href="http://www.tracts.com/Karin'sTractPage.html">www.tracts.com/Karin'sTractPage.html</a></p>
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