

## ARE YOU THINKING OF HAVING AN ABORTION?



If you are thinking of having an abortion, please don't go through with it! It probably would ruin the rest of your life. Even when you would ask God for forgiveness, you would than have to forgive yourself, and you would probably hate yourself so much you wouldn't be able to for years, and only with God's help.

I had an abortion when I was twenty five and it ruined my life for over twenty five years. It colored everything I thought, felt, and did from than on. I always felt bad about myself after that. I buried it rather than dealt with it. I felt the thing was done and I just had to live with it and forget it. It wasn't constantly in my mind but I now hated who I was in every way and didn't even realize it.

When I went to see the doctor they all made it so easy for me and convenient and easy to find a clinic to have it done. The government was even willing to pay for it! No one even talked to me about the seriousness of it. I was terrified and desperate and felt I had to do something, because I felt that my parents wouldn't want me anymore if I had a baby out of wedlock. I didn't even know who the father was for sure. I accused this one guy of being the father and he agreed to take me for the abortion. He wanted to be free of it all, too.

So he took me there, and it was a very painful and solomn experience. I was surprised at how very much it hurt!

Afterwards I was relieved because I thought I was free and there was no longer the problem of a baby coming. I was only six weeks along and thought it might be okay to have the abortion since it probably wasn't formed, but I knew in my heart that it was wrong.. I felt there was no other choice. I felt my life would be over and ruined if I had this baby.

When I got home the grief started in force! I grieved and travailed for my baby so loud that the neighbors heard me! I lived in a trailer house, and the people across the street heard me. I cried out "my baby, my baby, I want my baby" all night! Even my little son, Hans heard me. I knew it was a baby and now I would never know it. I loved babies...I had always loved babies and now I was asking myself, What had I done! I had murdered my own child and sinned against God! We all should **really** think before we **act!**

I just went on after that, feeling my parents would now never find out but afraid they would somehow find out what I had done. I lived in fear of that, thinking, what if my parents found out I went a long ways away that day. And my mother **did** try to find out where I was the day of the abortion.

Again, I buried all the feelings after that for the next twenty five years not thinking much about it but I felt dirty inside without really realizing it. I was divorced and had had two other children before this. I found my second husband at a bar but since I had prayed for God to send me a husband that would love me the rest of my life no matter what I had to go through, He turned out to be a loving, faithful husband, although we did have problems.

I could never seem to find peace and contentment. I was always striving inside. I felt lost even with my family. I had two more children and raised them with the other two.

After my kids were fully grown and leaving home I asked God to lead them to Him. He led them to a Pentecostal Church where they found salvation! Than they came and told me about it and they led **me** there to be saved!

For the past three years before that I had started searching for a church to go to where I could find what I was looking for. I was looking for God in these churches and I wasn't finding Him. I didn't realize it but I wanted to **know** God, not just know **about** Him. I finally found Him and the right Way, when I went to that Pentecostal Church.

There, I heard about the "Baptism of the Holy Ghost" and prayed for it and received it to my great joy! I faithfully followed God after that. After about five years, the abortion thing came up in my mind again. I knew God forgave me because I think I had asked for forgiveness because I was sorry for my sin, but I just couldn't forgive **myself**. I could never see how I could do that...never! I had done a terrible thing and I just couldn't let go of that.

Shortly after it all came up again I was led to a Pregnancy Center who ministered to pregnant girls who were considering an abortion. I wanted to help girls to decide not to have an abortion. Little did I know that they were going to help **me!** In my first meeting with the people running the program I confessed I had had an abortion and the grief and guilt came out. They had me in for counseling. And as my grief poured out the Presence of the Lord was very heavy in the room. Over a period of a couple of months the grief continued to pour out of me over losing my baby and I expressed my guilt for what I had done.

Finally, I was actually able to receive, in my heart, God's forgiveness! Shortly after that I organized a funeral for my baby. I bought a little Bible to remember him or her by, and even named the baby with a girl and boy's name, and we had the service. We sang a few hymns, expressing God's great love for us, and we each said a few words about the baby. Than, everyone wrote something in the little Bible about the baby. I found healing and peace, at last! I knew I would see her or him in Heaven someday!



God said in His Word, the Bible, that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost and it belongs to God. We don't have the right to choose what to do with it.

1 Corinthians 6:19:20 "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

God already knew us, when He created the earth and put man upon it. He always knew you would be born and what you would be like and He has a plan for your life. You were meant to be born..the same for your baby. He already knows your baby and has a plan for his or her life; no matter the circumstances of his or her birth.

If you look on the internet about Scriptures about Abortion you will find many of them but here is one:

"For Thou didst form my inward parts; Thou didst weave me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks to Thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Thy works, And my soul knows it very well."  
"My frame was not hidden from Thee when I was made in secret; and skillfully wrought in the depths of the Earth. Thine eyes saw my unformed substance, and in Your Book all the days (of my life) were written before they ever took shape, when as yet there was none of them."  
Psalm 139:13-16

"Then the Word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, saying, Before I formed thee; and before thou came forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." Jer. 1:4-5

You don't have to go through what I did. You can choose life for your baby.

It doesn't matter what your circumstances are in this decision. You can work it out so your baby can live.

God will help you...you're not alone!

Giving him or her the chance to live their life is everything! You will be giving the greatest gift you can give if you do this!

Him or her was meant to be, and it was no accident, although you may think it was. God knew it would happen and He is already there, in the problem with you. Just turn to Him with all of your heart and He will guide you! I promise!  
He is faithful...ever faithful!  
Jesus promised that He would never leave you; nor forsake you.  
Hebrews 13:5

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