



**“The Abortion War”
40 Days for Life Campaign 2020**

1. This war is incomparable.

The greatest holocaust in human history:

- Almost 50 million children aborted worldwide every single year.
- 61 million aborted in the U.S. since Roe vs. Wade (1973).
- 1.5 billion aborted worldwide since 1980. (*See numberofabortions.com for sources.*)

2. This war is spiritual.

- The real enemy is Satan. (Jn 8:44, 10:10; 2Cor 4:4; 2Tim 2:26)
- The sacrifice of children is demonic. (Ps 106:37-38; 2Ki 17:16-20)
- Our culture is cursed with confusion. (Isa 5:20)

3. This war is ideological.

It is a war of worldviews – a battle between two competing sets of beliefs and values.

Three biblical truths about the value & dignity of human life:

- 1) We are created in God’s image. (Gen 1:27)
- 2) We are created in the womb. (Ps 139:13-16; Lk 1:41)
- 3) We are created for a purpose. (Jer 1:5; Gal 1:15)

4. This war is scientific.

Even if people reject the Bible, they should still oppose abortion for purely objective, scientific reasons.

The scientific definition of life: “The condition that distinguishes animals and plants from inorganic matter, including the capacity for growth, reproduction, functional activity, and continual change preceding death.”

Life begins at conception:

- 22 Days – Heart begins to beat and continues growing at a rate of 1 million cells per second. Child’s blood is totally separate from the mother’s.
- 32 Days – Arms and hands are developing.
- 42 Days – Brain waves are measurable. Vertebrae begin forming.
- 8 Weeks – All major organs are working. Babies can feel.
- 13 Weeks – Baby can move, kick, swallow, suck thumb, smile and frown. Shield eyes from bright light. Respond to music, loud noises, and mother’s voice.
- 6 Months – Possible to survive outside the womb, even weighing less than a pound.

5. This war is moral.

“Thou shalt not kill.” (Exodus 20:13)

The Golden Rule:

- “So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you...” (Mt 7:12)
- “I’ve noticed that everyone who is for abortion has already been born.” (Ronald Reagan)

6. **This war is pivotal.**

God is judging our nation and world for shedding the blood of millions of innocent lives. (Gen 4:8-11; Rom 2:5-8)

7. **This war is painful.**

It doesn't just hurt children. It hurts women, men and families. But there is hope, forgiveness, healing and restoration in Jesus Christ! (Ps 147:3; Joel 2:25)

8. **This war is personal.**

- We are commanded to protect the weak. (Prov 24:11; Ps 82:3-4)
- We are commanded to warn the wicked. (Eze 3:17-19)
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer – "Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act." (cf. Prov 31:8-9)

9. **This war is winnable!**

We cannot sit back and do nothing.

- 1) **Will you join us for our special screening of *Unplanned*?** (6pm tonight at Maya Cinemas! Purchase tickets while supplies last at campusbiblechurch.com/unplanned.)
- 2) **Will you pray for life?** Sign up to receive a daily "40 Days for Life" prayer devotional by email. Go to campusbiblechurch.com/40days.
- 3) **Will you stand for life?** Volunteer to pray on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood. Your presence can literally save a life! For more information, go to campusbiblchurch.com/40days.

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you get most out of this message?
2. In what ways have you individually been part of the abortion war?
3. What are some ways you are willing to participate in the 40 Days for Life campaign?