

The Christian and Infanticide

Selected Scriptures

- A. Murder and Killing: Human Death is Distinct
Man alone has been created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26-27). Before the Lord gave the Law to Moses where murder is forbidden (Ex. 20:13), God told Noah that murder is a capital crime (Gen. 9:6). Accidental or circumstantial killing is different than planned and executed murder (Ex. 21:12-14)
- B. Infanticide in the Bible
 - I. Infanticide was **Common** in the Ancient World (Lev. 18:21; Dt. 12:29-31)
 - II. Infanticide was a **Capital Crime** in Israel (Ex. 21:22-25; Lev. 20:1-5; Dt. 18:10-13)
 - III. Infanticide was **Shockingly Wicked** in Israel (Jer. 7:31; 19:4-5)
 - IV. Infanticide became **Common Again** in Israel (2 Ki. 17:7-20; cf. 2 Ki. 16:2-3; 21:6; 2 Chron 28:3)
- C. Infanticide is a sin for which Christ Died (Isa. 53:11)
- D. Christian Action in a Culture that Condone and Encourages Infanticide
Often it feels like there is very little that we can do. Below are several practical things that we can do in order to address this massive problem in our society.
 - I. Maintain a Christian Worldview (Rom. 12:1-2; Ps. 127:3)
 - II. Teach the Truth about Marriage and Sex to Your Children (Gen. 1:28; cf. Ex. 20:14; Lev. 18:6-25)
 - III. Teach Your Children: sin, repentance, restoration (1 Jn 2:2; Mt. 18:15-20)
 - IV. Wisely Exercise Rights of Citizenship (cf. Acts 25:10-11)
 - V. Strive to make your home a welcoming place for restoration
 - VI. Strive to make your church a welcoming place for restoration
 - VII. Order your life so that you love people more than things