

The Abortion Dialogue

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Making the Case for Making the Case

- ! James 4:17
 - “Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do and then do it.” (NLT)
 - “If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.” (NIV)
 - “Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” (KJV)
 - “So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.” (ESV)
- Sins of omission are those things we ought to have done but failed to do.
 - Not lying, cheating, stealing, or hurting others directly.
 - A failure to act that, no matter what other good things we did instead of our obligation, condemns us.
 - ! The Good Samaritan example
- Engaging the issue of abortion is a good that we ought to do.
 - ! **IF the unborn are full members of the human family,** then abortion is a nearly incomprehensible and unparalleled destruction of innocent human life.
 - ! **IF the unborn are not full members of the human family,** then pro-life efforts represent an unjust intrusion into the medical choices of women to have access to a procedure that, as Greg Koukl says, would have no greater moral component to it than a tooth extraction.
 - Whether one is pro-life or pro-choice or undecided, the moral cost of being wrong on the issue of abortion is so high that we must engage the issue.
 - ! We can’t justify non-engagement.
 - ! **Everyone must answer the questions, “What is the unborn, and why do some insist we are justified in killing her?”**