

Gifted

An artist takes her pencil and holds it at an angle in her dominant hand. On a fresh sheet of paper, she allows her hand to guide the pencil into creating the start of something beautiful. As she draws, her eyes move along with the movement of the pencil. She takes a deep breath, stands up from the desk, takes a few steps back, and observes what she has drawn so far. Within seconds, she notices a flaw; one mark is completely out of place. Taking her pencil, she decides to erase that pesky mark because she feels it's unworthy enough to remain. That mark is wiped from existence.

Just like how that mark was erased, that's what is happening to the lives of babies being aborted. They're wiped from a life that was meant to be lived and a life that was specially mapped out for them. The issue of abortion has always been significant; however, it's becoming even more prevalent as the number of deaths continue to skyrocket.

Our society today believes heavily in the saying, "My body, My choice." Meaning, everyone is entitled to make their own decisions about what goes on with their body. But when a baby is aborted, it has no saying, no choice over its life. Who is going to protect the rights of that life?

A baby's life doesn't begin the moment it emerges into this sinful world, it's during the process of unification between a man and a woman, when an embryo is conceived in the womb. God intricately crafted a woman's body to do remarkable things. One of which, sharing her vital organs to nurture a child within her. The mother's beating heart, the flowing blood that runs through her veins, and the oxygen continuously inhaled and exhaled is what keeps the developing child inside of her alive. Until birth, everything that enters the mother's body enters the baby's body too.

Psalms 139:13-16 says, “You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother’s womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.... You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.” God has a plan and a purpose for every single person throughout the entire world. But when a child’s life is taken away, they don’t have the opportunity to fulfill His purpose and calling for their life.

I am pro-life, because like a mark on a sheet of paper deserves the opportunity to become a part of something grander than just a ‘mess up,’ every child should have the opportunity to live a life that was specially designated and designed for them. I also strongly believe in the verse, Psalms 127:3, “Children are a gift from the LORD; they are a reward from him.”