



# A Christian Primer

## The Iceberg

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The American Church is guilty of a great sin, but like the Garden of Eden, it is not so obvious. Instead, it is the sin before the sin. Before Eve ate of the forbidden fruit, she firstly believed a lie. Believing a lie was the precedent to the fall of mankind. And embracing a lie is certainly sin, considering we have the truth available to us. Today, this cycle repeats. The American Church believes another lie, but the lie is so cleverly devised, that even the most dedicated, well-meaning Christians have been bamboozled. Enough already—what is this thing, you ask? It is the sin of failed prioritization. We are busy doing something, everything, and nothing.

Imagine America is a large cruise ship, like the Titanic. No one thought it could be sunk, yet it sits at the bottom of the Atlantic. What brought down the unsinkable ship? Was it pride? Was it reckless speed? Failure to navigate around the iceberg? The answer is unambiguous—we all know precisely what sunk the vessel. ***It was the iceberg.*** But today, the American Church has welcomed a fantasy. *underlying problem. The transgression of the tip of the iceberg is the iceberg.* Anyone can jagged sliver of ice protruding upwards from game, everyone sees the obvious missed shot thinks about the fumble-turnovers and quarters of the entire game.

Christian advocacy groups and church possible evil which ails humanity is trafficking and prostitution. Corporate Divorce. Orphaned children. War. Child things which brought down Israel. Sure, the bible, but nothing like the iceberg. throng of frozen sea, hiding below our iceberg is struck, and it has been struck, and water is another day. For if the nation sinks, we must retain at a minimum, the simplest knowledge of the tragedy. For even more taxing on the soul of an orphan child, than the knowledge of his father having abandoned him, is the reason Dad left in the first place. We must accept that the unseen mountain is the culprit, and speak to *that* mountain. Christ declared that we can cast mountains into the sea, so this primer boldly heralds the very object which has sprung the gushing leak. To think that Christian politicians would spend another moment of precious time on economic policy, shows just how biblically illiterate they truly are. To fathom a church more concerned with coffee bars, global missions or trips to Jerusalem?



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## North and South

Slavery nearly tore our union apart, but we overcame. Ancient Israel was also divided into a northern and southern kingdom. Was it prejudice, racism or even slavery that plagued ancient Israel?

*Ezekiel 23:36 &37 - The Lord said to me: “Son of man, will you judge Oholah and Oholibah? Then confront them with their detestable practices, for they have committed adultery and blood is on their hands. They committed adultery with their idols; they even sacrificed their children, whom they bore to me, as food for them.*

Ezekiel names two women as metaphors for the northern and southern Kingdom of Israel. As usual, the prophet is crying out against many evil practices. But the takeaway is this: “*they even sacrificed their children*”. Keyword “even”. Meaning, *their sins were many, but child sacrifice was the most egregious*. That catch-all phrase “idolatry” is a buzzword in Christian language. There will always exist elements materialism and witchcraft in society, but abortion exceeds them all. There will

always be a mother somewhere, willing to flush her uterus; but it takes years of negligence, swarming with lukewarm Christians in leadership for a genocide of this magnitude to have occurred. Whose job is it to end abortion?

*Leviticus 20:1-2 (NIV) “The Lord said to Moses, 2 “Say to the Israelites: ‘Any Israelite or any foreigner residing in Israel who sacrifices any of his children to Molek is to be put to death. The members of the community are to stone him...’”*

In ancient Israel, the penalty for child sacrifice was death. Today, this means capital punishment. The law required the *community* to be the remedy. Nothing has changed. Today, the verdict in a murder trial is a community effort. The congregants in churches, city officials and working civilians all encompass such “members of the community”—they make up the police, witnesses, jury, prosecutor and judge. It is everyone’s job to end abortion. Blood is crying out from the ground as water is gushing into the titanic. Verses three through five:

*...Verses 4-5 (NASB): ...4 If the people of the land, however, should ever disregard that man when he gives any of his children to Molech, so as not to put him to death, 5 then I Myself will set My face against that man and against his family, and I will cut off from among their people both him and all those who play the prostitute with him, by playing the prostitute with Molech.*

## Get engaged or Else

Members of the community who disregard the killer, will be punished. To ignore or delegate away the responsibility is to be dealt with by God personally. If people “close their eyes (NIV)”, or “hide their eyes (KJV)” (look away or look to someone else) from Planned Parenthood and the greater abortion industry, they ensure God’s judgement directly onto themselves and their families. Intervention is a commandment, not an option. *Direct intervention to the point of criminal conviction.* What does it mean to “disregard” or “not to put him to death”? Simple—if we fail to criminalize abortion, we can expect judgement. In Jeremiah 5, God commands the prophet to find just ONE man who will do justice in order to pardon a community. **Members of the community:** civilians, city council, policemen, fireman, sheriff, doctors, lawyers, businessmen, activists and yes, pastors. All of us are commanded to have open eyes. We are all commanded prosecute criminal homicide—and if *regular folks* are not absolved, *how much more culpability would rest on those who consider themselves pastors or religious leaders?* The book of Leviticus is named after the priestly tribe (the Levites). The Levites are supposed to be the authority on moral law. *Why aren’t they leading the outcry at the clinics? Why aren’t they organizing at the courthouses and statehouses? Why aren’t more running for office?* Judgement begins in the church (1 Peter 4:17).

Today’s civil war is typologically a new “north” and “south”, in both the church and broader country. Maybe half of people are ok with limited abortion, while the other side knows it is wicked. *Fact:* In the Antebellum years, plenty of plantation Christians were in support of slavery or neutral towards total abolition—they even touted New Testament scripture to justify keeping slaves. Philosophically, nothing has changed today. Religion becomes a shield to hide behind, and the Word is warped to a different interpretation. Defeatism and disinterest is wrong, but *the continued minimization of abortion is the real culprit.* Lazy Christian thought tends to lump everything into this category called “sin” or “idolatry”. The blood of Jesus covers all sin, but not all sin is equal in the temporal world. The belief that “all sin is sin” is a lie propagated by the biblically illiterate—namely the pro-life movement.

## There are many reasons the American Church does little to end abortion, or gives it low priority:

1. The belief that abortion is *not sin* (so far, this is the rarest argument in the churches)
2. The belief that all sins bring equal judgement on a nation, and therefore no priority is assigned to Abortion.
3. The belief that only some are “called” to advocate in the realm of government, *if any*
4. The belief that abortion advocacy is a *unique calling*, and to assign it a high priority would be hypocritical (*meaning, to declare that “abortion must go, but I’m not the guy for the job”, is admittedly duplicitous*)
5. A 501c3 non-profit entity cannot directly support political parties or candidates, so they don’t even bother.

As in war, evil must be met with equal or greater force. Our holy book commands us to legislate against the iniquity that lives in men’s **hearts** (Jeremiah 17:9), **wholly** (Deuteronomy 17:7) and **impartially** (Leviticus 19:15, Deuteronomy 1:17, 10:17, 16:19, 2 Chronicles 19:7, Proverbs 28:21, Malachi 2:9, Luke 20:21, 1 Timothy 5:21). The force of law is the first and

most obvious step in ending the practice of evil in society (Exodus 20). To limit the size of primer, we have included only a small sampling of scriptures addressing the age old truth that God's law must rule in society. This is reiterated by Paul:

*Romans 13:4 - For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.*

When justice is softened, subverted or neglected, often times, man will intervene with vigilante justice. Such was the times in American History when John Brown incited a slave insurrection at Harper's Ferry. In Israel's times of trial, Jephthah and Samson were slaying the wicked without due process or legal arbitration. The book of Judges marks an era when Israel was in continual civil war. War is judgement. It is not God's will that any perish, but if someone doesn't shut down the planned parenthoods, more than the babies will die. God will have His revenge if His people are unwilling to do His justice.

*Deuteronomy 16:20 - 20 Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue, so that you may live and possess the land which the Lord your God is giving you.*

*Romans 12:19 - Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.*

## Neutrality is Lethal – Doctrine of Bloodguilt

Child sacrifice is not just another "sin of Israel" (or sin of America), but treated very uniquely. The sin of neutrality (looking away, or looking to someone else) or the sin of neglecting justice (no prosecution) has serious consequences. This is the doctrine of Bloodguilt. It is a terrifying warning to the "members of the community" who refuse to do justice for the babies.

*Ezekiel 35:6: "therefore as surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I will give you over to bloodshed and it will pursue you. Since you did not hate bloodshed, bloodshed will pursue you.*

Ezekiel's prophecy is fulfilled each day—bloodshed is chasing us down, and more frequently. In 2007, thirty three were killed at Virginia Tech College. Bloodshed fell upon movie goers in Aurora Colorado on July 20, 2012—twelve killed, seventy injured. In 2015, a pastor's pregnant daughter was murdered in her Indianapolis home—her husband was also a pastor. The same year, nine were gunned down in a South Carolina Baptist church, including state senator and senior pastor Clementa Pickney. Where are we safe? I guess the unborn babies are asking that same question. June 12, 2016: Florida club "Pulse" was massacred—forty nine shot dead. October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017: fifty eight killed from a hotel window at a Vegas country concert. Hundreds assaulted and ambushed in public—city squares like Dallas Texas (July 7, 2016), Minneapolis (2020) and the usual carnage in Chicago. Synagogues (2018: Philadelphia) and Churches (2017: twenty six killed in Sutherland Springs, TX). School massacres (Columbine, 1999. Parkland Florida, 2018—17 slain on Valentine's day. Four just killed at Oxford in Detroit, 2021). Drive-thrus, drive-bys, parks, shopping malls, mass transit. Workplace massacres. War. Since the first version of this document was posted to Vikktor.us, there has been a flood of casualties: twenty two shot dead at a Texas school (Uvalde), ten killed at a Buffalo, NY grocery store, and seven of fifty-five dead in Illinois during the Independence Day parade. **Ezekiel warned the ancients, that ignoring this problem will draw it to you like a magnet.**

In the book of Isaiah, the word justice is mentioned twenty nine times. This beats Psalms (twenty-two instances), Proverbs (at sixteen references) and Job (fifteen references). Ranking fourth is the book of Deuteronomy, which literally means "repetition of the law"—only seven references to justice here. Do you think Isaiah might have been sent of God to tell the people how important justice is to Him?

*Isaiah 59:15. 15 Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and the LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there was no judgment.*

This third passage cements the doctrine of bloodguilt. It is the same message as Leviticus and Ezekiel. To look away, or to not hate it, or here—to "depart" from evil, is to embolden evil and become a prey to it. The doctrine of bloodguilt relates back to the 1912 sinking of The Titanic. The vessel was oversold on the idea that each level was watertight, making it impossible to sink. If one deck floods, not everyone will die or be affected. Likewise, Americans think that if their own families are "watertight", or not having abortions, that things will be fine. Recently history unravels that myth.

Since 1970 (legal abortion in New York), and the Supreme Court 1973 decision, Americans have been caught in the crossfire of a spiritual phenomenon known as “bloodguilt”. To an unspiritual mind, the above incidences might appear random and senseless, but to Ezekiel, these wanton and ruthless killings make perfect sense in the America “given over to bloodshed”. **At the thirty year mark, the twin towers came down. At the fifty year mark, Covid-19.** 2,977 Americans perished on September 11, but the same number of innocent children are destroyed *each day* on purpose from abortion. We saw the towers tumble (“tip of the iceberg”), and we hurried into a prolonged and disorganized war (Iraq, Ben Ghazi, ISIS, the pullout of Afghanistan, etc.). Christians have died of Covid. Most affected were the elderly, whereas *the children were virtually unaffected*—the aged, mind you, who were alive and capable of ending abortion in the 70’s. Each day, another multiple homicide. Soldier suicide is a pandemic itself and Fentanyl is just another tip of the iceberg.

**We see a barrage of bloodshed and unnatural death in a nation where abortion is not only legal, but celebrated.** The Christians have not hated abortion—because *had* we hated it, we would have ended it years ago. Because we have not protected innocent life with the force of law (justice), or at least contravened the cultural acceptance from our pulpits (preaching repentance and call to action), “bloodshed is pursuing us”—now, we are playing defense. America is on the ropes, awaiting the knockout blow. If America was invaded, it would be biblically legal and just. *Abortion is the only prevailing evil which is completely legal, permitted and sometimes defended by Christians in the pro-life arena.*

**Recap:** The twin towers, the twenty year war, the pandemic and rising moral decadence—even the attacks on our civil liberties are just the *tip of the iceberg*. And what has the church done? Instead of diving into the depths of Church history (where former icebergs were addressed), they dive deeper into their traditions. Keeping their doors open. Keeping their programs alive and funded. This includes global missions and Israel trips. “Kingdom entrepreneurship”. Patriotic Christians are exuding tons of energy, with a focus on freedom. Demanding individual liberties before the abolishment of abortion is the epitomic example of spiritual blindness. The shepherds and the sheep only see the “tips of the iceberg”. This is why God’s watchmen were perpetually raging against the spiritual establishment—it’s not that they could not see it—they did not wish to get involved. Hezekiah wanted to retire in peace—he knew what was coming. In Jeremiah 5:12, Israel had suffered partial judgement, but unable to recognize that it was GOD who was sending it.

Let us review just the few passages thus far. Leviticus: the entire community must end abortion—look away, or fail to prosecute, and fall under a curse. Deuteronomy: pursue justice in order to live. Ezekiel: hate bloodshed, or be a victim. Isaiah: God demands judgement—walking away will make us all victims. The passages on bloodguilt is alive and active on the pages, as well as our recent history. *Neutrality is fatal to the neutral.* There is a direct connection between irreverent treatment of bloodshed (not hating it), and having your own blood shed. In the New Testament we are called to hate evil. *Romans 12:9 - Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.* Christians have zero credibility, if they do not hate abortion to the point of action. Historically and biblically, this means legislation. Murder has been illegal since the dawn of man, and only recently has America accepted it as “healthcare” or “women’s rights”. It is one thing to dislike abortion, pray against abortion, or rehabilitate the women who’ve had abortions. *To hate bloodshed is to finish the job! To criminalize it. It means to protest it every chance you get. It means to call people out to do the same, especially those in healthcare, religious groups and civil government.* **It means that a lot of fake Christians and those profiting from “healthcare” will push back. Especially the “life” groups who have made the struggle into a perennial cash-cow fundraiser or glory train for GOP “life warriors”.**

You might ask, where is Jesus in all this? In the book of Revelation Jesus Christ declares that He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. Abortion alone marks the beginning and end of nations, as early as Exodus 1:16. Moses was raised up following Pharaoh’s order to terminate all new pregnancies (Exodus 2). Healthcare workers (the Hebrew midwives) were required by law to destroy their own lineage. This triggered the Exodus out of Egypt. Think of that—**Israel’s first war for independence began on this issue—people fleeing four centuries of captivity, climaxed by the terror of state mandated abortion. Here is the grand irony—the nation which they were to possess (Promised Land) was already inhabited by an assorted people known as the Canaanites. Guess what they were known for? Child sacrifice.** **Bible 101 folks.** Jesus Christ, the Passover lamb was the blood that protected them from the death angel. Fifteen centuries later, King Herod issued a post-birth abortion order to exterminate the coming Messiah (Matthew 2:16).

## Israel the aborted child

*Ezekiel 16:3-5 "...Your ancestry and birth were in the land of the Canaanites; your father was an Amorite and your mother a Hittite. 4 On the day you were born your cord was not cut, nor were you washed with water to make you clean, nor were you rubbed with salt or wrapped in cloths. 5 No one looked on you with pity or had compassion enough to do any of these things for you. Rather, you were thrown out into the open field, for on the day you were born you were despised.*

Ezekiel uses a graphic metaphor, comparing the nation of Israel with a baby thrown away into a field. God began a nation, **literally** in the aftermath of Pharaoh's abortion law. Later, God's prophet **figuratively** described Him as the savior and adoptive parent. When something is both literal and figurative on the same subject, pay attention.

*6 "Then I passed by and saw you kicking about in your blood, and as you lay there in your blood I said to you, "Live!" 7 I made you grow like a plant of the field. You grew and developed and entered puberty. Your breasts had formed and your hair had grown, yet you were stark naked. 8 "Later I passed by, and when I looked at you and saw that you were old enough for love, I spread the corner of my garment over you and covered your naked body. I gave you my solemn oath and entered into a covenant with you, declares the Sovereign Lord, and you became mine.*

*9 "I bathed you with water and washed the blood from you and put ointments on you. 10 I clothed you with an embroidered dress and put sandals of fine leather on you. I dressed you in fine linen and covered you with costly garments. 11 I adorned you with jewelry: I put bracelets on your arms and a necklace around your neck, 12 and I put a ring on your nose, earrings on your ears and a beautiful crown on your head. 13 So you were adorned with gold and silver; your clothes were of fine linen and costly fabric and embroidered cloth. Your food was honey, olive oil and the finest flour. You became very beautiful and rose to be a queen. 14 And your fame spread among the nations on account of your beauty, because the splendor I had given you made your beauty perfect, declares the Sovereign Lord.*

We see a shocking contrast between how the Canaanites treated infants, and how God views new life. God nurtured Israel from infancy, to puberty, and through adulthood. Canaanite tribes were known to discard their offspring. God is described as a savior who rescues and adopts the vulnerable, hopeless infant after being pitched into a field still attached to the placenta. The prophet gets personal, using an insult/pejorative: "your daddy was an Amorite and your mother a Hittite". Meaning, it should be an insult to consider someone pro-choice, or approving of any form of abortion.

## Full Measure

It is time to compare apples to apples. There will always be sin in society—premarital sex, sexual perversion, child abuse, extortion, idolatry among others (widely illegal and criminalized). But God still brought His people into the Promised Land. Despite their complaints, revelry and idolatry (Exodus 32), God still entrusted Canaan to the tribes of Israel. **Scripture makes a clear distinction between the unrighteous and the purely wicked.** The harm inflicted by common sins are nothing in comparison with the finality of murder. What is worse than a mother killing her own baby? What is more blasphemous than destroying the image of God, in the holy and secret place of the womb?

*Deuteronomy 9:5-12 - 5 It is not because of your righteousness or the uprightness of your heart that you go in to possess their land, but because of the wickedness of these nations that the Lord your God drives them out from before you, and that He may fulfill the word which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. 6 Therefore understand that the Lord your God is not giving you this good land to possess because of your righteousness, for you are a stiff-necked people.*

Bingo. God did not give Canaan to a perfectly upright people. The creator specifically took it away from the wicked. In fact, he could not fulfill his promise to Abraham, until the occupants had reached the highest level of sin. They had prostitution, greed and fortune telling I'm sure. But what did it take for their sin to push them over the edge?

*Genesis 15:16 - In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure."*

If sin can have “full measure”, then the cliché “all sin is equal” is not a biblical truth; nor are all national sins are equal. Exodus 34:11 - *Obey what I command you today. I will drive out before you the Amorites, Canaanites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites.* Exodus 34 begins with God commanding Moses to handwrite a *second* copy of the Ten Commandments. These laws are important enough to reproduce, and have since been the bedrock of all civilization (John Adams once said regarding the Jews, “They have given religion to three quarters of the globe and have influenced the affairs of mankind more, and more happily than any other nation, ancient or modern.”) Verse 19 states, “*The first offspring of every womb belongs to me, including all the firstborn males of your livestock, whether from herd or flock.*” When a baby is ripped from a womb, not only is that murder (sixth command), but theft (eight command)—it is stealing what God has claimed for His own. Verse 26 concludes with “*Do not cook a young goat in its mother’s milk*”, so it goes without saying that we must not rip a preborn child from the safety of its mother’s womb.

Biblically, there is a hierarchy of depravity—the text is plain. We know from Leviticus 18:21, 1 Kings 11:7 among many others, than the Canaanites were notorious for child sacrifice. Centuries later, ***Jeremiah rebukes Israel for repeating their mistakes.*** How? ***He explicitly mentions child sacrifice.*** Now, they are no better than the Canaanites. Now, they will be destroyed. ***Just more evidence to this thesis, that abortion is the cardinal sin of nations, and must be priority one.***

*Jeremiah 32:35 - 35 And they built the high places of Baal which are in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire to Molech, which I did not command them, nor did it come into My mind that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.'*

**This act was unthinkable, even to God.** What makes it even more unthinkable today, is that women kill their children out of convenience and selfish reasons, whereas in ancient days, people believed they were appeasing deities that had power over their agriculture and longevity (how unbelievable and shameful then, are the present day motivators?). Certainly there was sexual immorality, extortion and bribes. No doubt there would be homicide, manslaughter, etc., but the next passage makes another explicit reference—**Manasseh was the king of shedding innocent blood.** More distinction!

*2 Kings 21:11 & 16 - “Manasseh king of Judah has committed these detestable sins. He has done more evil than the Amorites who preceded him and has led Judah into sin with his idols...Moreover, Manasseh also shed so much innocent blood that he filled Jerusalem from end to end—besides the sin that he had caused Judah to commit, so that they did evil in the eyes of the Lord.*

“Innocent blood” from “end to end”? Just think of the 1,600+ abortion providers across our nation; a network of Planned Parenthoods and other murder providers that have cursed this land, from sea to shining sea. According to the CDC, 612,407 abortions were reported across the states in 2021. 4,060 of them were at 21+ weeks, which is age of viability (able to live outside the womb). The biblical text continues to prioritize this evil.

## Standards & Regulation

Review: so the nation that began life as a discarded baby, ended up divided in civil wars when they “*even sacrificed their children*”. Two Major Prophets describe this sin as both unbelievable (Ezekiel), and unthinkable (Jeremiah), *even unto God*. Now, we must expose the truth of pro-life legislation. After all, those are the “Christian” bills that get touted back to voters and churches as righteous, “lifesaving” outcomes. There were times in Israel’s history, when surrounding nations had higher standards for morality than his own people. Ezekiel reprimands the leaders for not upholding the moral standards of neighboring powers. We should not be surprised the bible speaks directly to the sin of regulating abortion.

*Ezekiel 5:7 - “Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord says: You have been more unruly than the nations around you and have not followed my decrees or kept my laws. You have not even conformed to the standards of the nations around you.*

Let’s do a fair apples to apples, and compare how the surrounding nations compare to the United States. America has virtually unrestricted abortion, unlike other countries which were ironically *not* founded on Judeo-Christian ethos. **It is illegal in Iran and Afghanistan right now.** Iraq permits it only when the life of the mother is at risk. *Israel today makes every possible exception – risk to mother, baby, fetal impairment, etc.* Somalia and Sudan only make provisions for the life of the mother. Syria prohibits all but strictly ‘life of mother’ situations and Saudi Arabia limits abortion to four months if the mother’s health is compromised. Canada and China? On request and no restrictions!

This Word is alive and active on the topic or regulation—global abortion laws are the best example—there are nations around the world, including Muslim nations which do not allow abortion. A Christian is never permitted to pass a law that allows abortion (Isaiah 10:1, Proverbs 24:11 among many), nevertheless, pro-life “Christian” groups have spent decades passing bills which describe when and how a child can be murdered. Ezekiel’s tone here is fittingly sarcastic because *he is addressing the only nation that received God’s law* (Psalms 147:19-20). Yet, this nation transgressed it worse than the surrounding Gentiles. How much more severely has American Church transgressed this law, considering that we claim to follow Jesus?

All of the commandments given to Moses on the tablets can be breathed in one word: Life. The summation of biblical law—the aggregate of all major commandments and instructions for living can be summed into one passage, appearing the moment before the conquest of the Promised Land. Whatever laws might get left out, watered down or broken—you better not cross this line. Here is the inaugural commandment to God’s people when the story first began, and the nation of Israel was “born”.

*Deuteronomy 30:19 - I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live;*

**Church growth, global missions, economic policy, religious liberty or education reform—all irrelevant details now. We are so bogged down with the sin of sins, that God cannot bless anything until we make this right. It is time to live out our Christianity; it is time to exercise our religious liberty and abolish abortion as one united people.**

It is biblically unanimous. Immorality is not the iceberg. Greed is not the iceberg. Rape is not the iceberg. Orphaned children is not the iceberg. Church Doctrine or theological discussions? Ridiculous. It is not prayer leaving our schools, substance abuse, cursing or covetousness that signifies the end of the road. It’s not even communism or socialism. What topples a nation is not the existence of witchcraft, nor the practicing of homosexuality. Having said this, it is only fair to address the causes for confusion. Traditional biblical exposition and culture has made this simple truth so convoluted.

## Sodom & Gomorrah

Most people think about sexual perversion when these two cities are mentioned. However, Ezekiel mentions “Sodom” six times in chapter 16, **but not in connection with promiscuity.**

*Ezekiel 16:49-52 - 49 “Now this was the sin of your sister Sodom: She and her daughters were arrogant, overfed and unconcerned; they did not help the poor and needy. 50 They were haughty and did detestable things before me. Therefore I did away with them as you have seen. 51 Samaria did not commit half the sins you did. You have done more detestable things than they, and have made your sisters seem righteous by all these things you have done. 52 Bear your disgrace, for you have furnished some justification for your sisters. Because your sins were more vile than theirs, they appear more righteous than you. So then, be ashamed and bear your disgrace, for you have made your sisters appear righteous.*

“Arrogant, overfed and unconcerned?”—sounds like church leaders today on the present neighborhood genocide. “I have experience or credentials” (arrogant). Another carry in, men’s breakfast or elders luncheon please! (overfed) Even bible studies have become lukewarm buffets of God’s Word. Regarding unconcerned? Well, inventory your own church—what are you doing to protect yourselves from bloodguilt? Bible studies, potlucks and missions trips. The text is acutely on theme, again dismantling the falsehood that “all sin is sin”. **Ezekiel’s passage is comparing sins, counting sins, and even (not literally) acknowledges that certain sins appear to be diminished when judged next to others.** Key phrases: “*More vile*”. “*They appear more righteous than you*” or “*you have made your sisters appear righteous*”. Ezekiel is very deliberate with his metaphors as he progresses verse by verse:

- 16:1-19 – Israel is like an aborted infant, rescued by God, and tenderly raised into a prosperous nation
- 16:44-58 – Fallen Israel is like rebellious women (mothers, daughters, wives) who despise their husbands and children (verse 45), and who are guilty of making cesspools like Sodom appear less sinful than them
- 23:37 – The now divided nation is like two sisters who have committed the sin of sins, by, quote: “they even sacrificed their children”

Sexual sin gets more clout than abortion. This ridiculous “all sin is sin” confusion exists because sexual sin is mentioned ubiquitously in the bible, from Genesis to Revelation. Sexual sin is mentioned thoroughly, indeed. Still, *this is why we must allow all of scripture interpret scripture.*

*1 Corinthians 6:18-20 - 18 Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. 19 Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.*

If the human body is a temple for God’s Spirit to dwell, and if sexual sin defiles such temple, then what does this mean for abortion? Logically and spiritually, we are dealing with two temples—imagine that the mother’s uterus is a representation of the outer courts of temple #1 (mother), and the fetus (growing baby) the holy of holies within temple #2. What is worse—defiling a temple with unwholesome sexual gratification, or burning it down? How can a women totally “sin against her own body”—getting pregnant from a one night stand, or murdering the temple (baby) within in her own temple?

If human beings are made in the image of God, then destroying them is like destroying *God’s dwelling* in a sense. The destruction of temples. Crushing and discarding the sacred vessel where God chooses to inhabit! You talk about rape or incest clauses? Jesus came from the line of an incestuous relationship (Genesis 38). Rape is illegal because it is violent and morally wrong, but even rape propagates God’s image on earth. Even sexual perversion results in the creation of new life. Estimate what percentage of life on earth is a result of unmarried unions? Most! Life is holy, regardless of how it came into being. So in regards to Sodom and Gomorrah, and the neighboring cities—their doom was not singularly sealed by the presence of homosexuality described in Genesis 19:5. **But going back further in Genesis, we see this truth again. It was not sexual immorality that caused God to destroy the earth with water. It was violence.**

*Genesis 6:11-13 – Now the earth was corrupt in God’s sight and was full of violence. God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. So God said to Noah, “I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth.*

## War

War is the best example of violence. Google dictionary defines war as “*a state of armed conflict between different nations or states or different groups within a nation or state.*” For instance, if your nation was under invasion, and you did not fight back, you would be killed or captured. Somehow, abortion is not treated as an invasion. **Abortion involves “different states” and “different groups”. It is a fifty year war ongoing. Political and corporate opportunists are engaging in armed conflict over money and power. Like slavery in the 1800’s, abortion gets votes and is profitable. Today, the weapons used are surgical instruments, chemicals and propaganda. We lost 620,000 Americans in the Civil war—abortion accounts for 100 civil wars. Each passing day amounts to a separate September 11th death toll.**

420,000 Americans died to end World War Two. Globally, 70-85M people perished altogether. As of 2022, we have intentionally murdered as many or more of our own “Israelites” (citizens)—children protected by a constitution promising life and liberty. The human body, the very temple of God is being invaded daily in this nation. We are at war. *All the economic pains, political battles, education reforms and war on drugs is nothing more than the “tips” of the underlying iceberg.* Likewise, all of the religious exercises, church visions and 501c3 advocacy amounts to nothing if we screw this up. **Abortion is the iceberg.** The obvious truths have been erased or conflated. The mother is not a victim. The killers are not doctors. It begins with a paternal father with either no spine or no rights, a mother with an ice cold heart, a licensed physician (under the Hippocratic Oath) willing to perform the deed all while the biblical peacemakers (church, state and citizenry, aka “members of the community”) are paying the taxes to fund it. And pastors have the audacity to remark, “Well, God is in control”, or “Jesus is coming back soon”. Not for this bride he isn’t!

## Close

Abortion is the iceberg. The destruction of preborn children (“innocent blood”) is the cardinal sin of nations. It stands alone, without comparison, across scripture. Ezekiel’s text may provide the single strongest, biblical proof that abortion is

the number one evil. If you are a “member of the community”, you will bring judgment on yourself for remaining neutral, or denying the call to criminalize and prosecute all parties involved. The biblical doctrine of bloodguilt is self-evident in America over decades. Not all sins are equal in the temporal world, as chapter 16 declares that certain sins make others “appear righteous”. Relative to the popular understanding of Sodom and Gomorrah, even sexual sins might appear righteous in comparison, as the women-metaphors are described as “more depraved” than even Sodom; sins that even “furnished some justification” for Sodom, as God says *“neither your sister Sodom nor her daughters have done as you and your daughters have done.”* This debunks the notion that sexual promiscuity is the root, or ruinous sin of nations. After all, the first judgment of God, was the flood of Noah’s day—a deluge brought upon a world saturated with violence.

Child sacrifice (renamed abortion) was the beginning. This truth is central in the founding of Israel as a nation, richly evidenced by Ezekiel’s metaphor of Israel itself as a once discarded baby—*“on the day you were born you were despised”*. God’s perfect love for the nation likened to a father saving and raising a discarded infant. It is intimate. It is heartwarming. The positive logical end (what the text is emphatically teaching us), is that to rescue a baby from death, is to establish a nation. The negative logical end, implies that a nation cannot survive abortion. Twas the literal saga of Israel’s escape from Egyptian infanticide, into a promised land where abortion was commonplace. The Canaanite, Hittite and Amorite’s “fullness of sin” was the normalized, cultural acceptance of child sacrifice. Then came Israel’s great demise, exactly the same way, with Kings like Manasseh shedding more “innocent blood” in Jerusalem than any king prior. Jeremiah wept over an Israel that repeated this sin of child sacrifice; an evil which never even crossed God’s own mind (Jeremiah 32:35). And the people failed to see that it was God judging them (Jeremiah 5:12).

Abortion is not equal to any other sin. The decade’s long Christian piety movement has confused the issue terribly; the need for personal holiness must never be elevated above the commandment to govern our own country. Sins must be dealt with in priority. God’s Word teaches that the Promised Land was given to an unrighteous people; nevertheless, a people who weren’t quite as bad as the current occupants: *“It is not because of your righteousness or the uprightness of your heart that you go in to possess their land, but because of the wickedness of these nations that the Lord your God drives them out from before you...”*, or *“...for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”* The text leaves no room for the prevailing “all sin is sin” worldview, which keeps abortion floating in perpetual limbo, unaddressed, understaffed or on par with other evils. The Word of God has no tolerance for 501©3’s that compartmentalize faith from action, or pastors who echo the idea that not everyone has the same “gift” or “calling”. But this should be encouraging, because as options decrease, our vision as a Church can increase. Our nation and our people will not perish if we grasp hold of this vision and execute swift judicial judgement as one connected body of Christ. We have before, and we shall once again.

It is everyone’s job to interpose for children, specifically for their lives. The many evils that afflict children around the world and at home, are, despite how our emotional instincts often function, secondary issues. While criminalizing abortion is what God expects from legislators, we see a broader commandment which encompasses every last one of us (Leviticus 20:1-5)—it is a commandment for all members of the community to fight this battle. It is a sin to look away, look to others, or to diminish the penalty of abortion (decriminalize). If any form of abortion continues, it will bring continued judgement on those unwilling to abolish it completely. But if the commandment isn’t enough, then the curse pronounced in Ezekiel 35:6 will certainly continue to move us into one accord (since 9/11, the continued violence in our communities, Covid, and the vast array of calamities has failed to as of yet). As the prophet was not mincing words when he spoke for the Father, saying *“...Since you did not hate bloodshed, bloodshed will pursue you”*. We are at war, and nothing warrants a higher priority.

# Review

- **The Great Flood:** Genesis 6:11-13: God destroyed the earth because of excessive *violence*—it is mentioned twice
- **The Law**
  - Commandment: Leviticus 20:1-5: The members of the community are commanded to intervene and prosecute. Those who ignore it, or defer to others, will be handled by God in a personal manner. It is everyone's job to end abortion.
  - Impartial Justice: Leviticus 19:15, Deuteronomy 1:17, 10:17, 16:19, 2 Chronicles 19:7, Proverbs 28:21, Malachi 2:9, Luke 20:21, 1 Timothy 5:21)
- **The Prophets**
  - Ezekiel 16:1-19 - Israel was like a child that survived an abortion, and nurtured to adulthood
  - Ezekiel 16:44-52 – Israel represents rebellious women who make Sodom look “righteous”
  - Ezekiel 23:37 - Child sacrifice is the ultimate: “they even sacrificed their children”.
  - Ezekiel 35:6: neutrality is self-destructive—those who do not “hate” bloodshed, will be subject to bloodshed. We see evidence of this following 1970. To avoid the curse, you must work to abolish
  - Isaiah – more instances of “justice” than any book in bible. 59:15- walking away will make you a prey.
  - Jeremiah: condemns Israel for repeating the sin of the Canaanites, especially Child sacrifice, a sin which never entered God's own mind.
- **The Conquest of the Promised Land**
  - Genesis 15:16: Not all sins are equal in the temporal. The sin of the Amorites (Canaanite tribe) had not yet “reached its full measure”. Child sacrifice is at the apex.
  - Exodus 1: Infanticide was the impetus for the Semites leaving Egypt under Moses's direction.
  - Exodus 34:19 – The firstborn of the womb belongs to God, not the mother
  - Leviticus 18:21 – God commanded Israel to not sacrifice their children like the Canaanites
  - Deuteronomy 9:5: God took the Promised Land from a wicked people, and entrusted it to less wicked people.
  - Deuteronomy 30:19: the final instructions before receiving the Promised Land was “choose life”.
- **The New Testament**
  - Romans 12:12 Harmony with the Old Testament. “Hate what is evil and cling to what is good”, without vengeance (verse 19).
  - Romans 13:10 “Love does no harm to a neighbor...” Rulers are servants of God (verse 4), whose very purpose is to reward good and punish evil. This leaves us a clear path to legally abolish abortion as Christians in government. This is a clear path to run for office and support candidates for equal justice.
  - Romans 3:31 – we are to uphold the law of God
  - 1 Corinthians 16:18-20: Sinning against your body is distinctive, but murdering a child is a grievous sin, which involves two bodies/temples
  - Jesus in Matthew 5:17-19 - “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. 19 Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven...”

## A Final warning of Bloodguilt:

### Ezekiel 16:35-42

35 "Therefore, you prostitute, hear the word of the Lord! 36 This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Because you poured out your lust and exposed your naked body in your promiscuity with your lovers, and because of all your detestable idols, and because **you gave them your children's blood**, 37 therefore I am going to gather all your lovers, with whom you found pleasure, those you loved as well as those you hated. I will gather them against you from all around and will strip you in front of them, and they will see you stark naked. 38 **I will sentence you to the punishment of women who commit adultery and who shed blood**; I will bring on you the blood vengeance of my wrath and jealous anger. 39 Then I will deliver you into the hands of your lovers, and they will tear down your mounds and destroy your lofty shrines. They will strip you of your clothes and take your fine jewelry and leave you stark naked. 40 **They will bring a mob against you**, who will stone you and hack you to pieces with their swords. 41 They will burn down your houses and inflict punishment on you in the sight of many women. I will put a stop to your prostitution, and you will no longer pay your lovers. 42 Then my wrath against you will subside and my jealous anger will turn away from you; I will be calm and no longer angry.