"Who is My Neighbor?"

The Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
January 27, 2008

Statistics (US)

• 47 million abortions since 1973

• 1.2 million abortions in 2005 – 3,300 a day

• 1 out of every 5 pregnancies ends in abortion

• 40% of women will have one abortion by age 45

• 18% of women having an abortion identify themselves as evangelical Christians

Statistics (US)

Websites:

www.abort73.com

www.tinyurl.com/ywcrzb

Biblical Response

"Vindicate the weak and the fatherless;
    Do justice to the afflicted and needy.
Rescue the weak and the needy;
    Deliver them out of the hand of the wicked."

(Psalm 82:3-4)

Biblical Response

"Speak for those who cannot speak for themselves,
    for the rights of all who are destitute.
Open your mouth, judge righteously,
    and defend the rights of the afflicted and needy."

(Proverbs 31:8-9)

Biblical Response

"Rescue those who are being taken away to death,
    and hold back those who are staggering to slaughter.
If you say, 'See, we did not know this,' does He not consider it who weighs the hearts?
    And does He not know it who keeps your soul?
And will He not render to every man according to his work?"

(Proverbs 24:11-12)

Biblical Response

Luke 10:25-37

➢ **Foundational:** Loving your neighbor as yourself is inseparable from loving God with all your being

Biblical Response

Luke 10:25-37

➢ *Essence of a neighbor who loves*

1. Heart of Compassion

• sees and responds to those who are in need

• overcomes natural prejudice or resentment

Biblical Response

Luke 10:25-37

➢ *Essence of a neighbor who loves*

2. Hands of Compassion

• willingly to be inconvenienced

• willingly to give and sacrifice

• willingly to go beyond the minimum

Biblical Response

Loving your "unborn" neighbor:

1. Pray earnestly and regularly

2. Inform yourself and speak out in love

3. Support HPC with your finances and time

4. Press for legal protection of the unborn – Vote Prolife

5. Open your home – foster care, adoption, pregnant teen

Biblical Response

"50 Ways to Help Unborn Babies and Their Mothers"
By Randy Alcorn (www.epm.org/articles/plhelp.html)