

## Where Do All The Babies Go?

*"But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." **Matthew 19:14 (NKJV)***

*"And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him all the believers who have died." **I Thessalonians 4:13-14***

### I. Introduction

There are many people who have suffered from the loss of a child, whether through abortion, miscarriage, stillborn or early infancy. This experience raises questions and often causes confusion. This message will biblically reveal the prenatal existence of the human soul, the viability of that soul being spiritually sensitive and responsive, and the certainty of a positive eternal destiny. This is not a message of condemnation for those who have had an abortion, but, rather, a message of hope and expectancy!

### II. Four Key Points for Reflection, Study and Confidence

1. There is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the human soul.

*"And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul (being)." **Genesis 2:7 (NKJV)***

God's breath into Adam caused him to become a spiritual being, with a unique capacity to fellowship with God, to serve God, and to possess the capacity to become like Him in their thought process---to become visionary and supremely creative---much like their Creator! Therefore, man is not only a created being, but a creative being as a result of God's "breath." **This creativity manifests most dynamically through the reproduction of a human being.**

a. When God breathed into Adam "*the breath of lives*," He literally transmitted the capacity to beget life. **This means life is already in him and begins when the child is conceived.** Conception is an act of human responsibility. **God does not have to create newly, every time someone is conceived!**

b. God is involved with every baby in the womb (**Psalm 139:13**).

David said that God was involved with him, **even while he was in his mother's womb.** This is understood by the words "*reins*" and "*covered me*."

i. David uses the word "*reins*," which in the Hebrew language has to do with action of spiritual understanding and perception. **David was saying that he had a spiritual relationship with God, while in his mother's womb.**

ii. David uses the term "*covered me*" **to mean there was a spiritual authority over him in the womb.**

c. Elizabeth, by the revelation of the Holy Spirit, called the newly conceived baby of Mary, **her Lord**---and called Mary **the mother** of her Lord, **NOT** "*will be*" the mother." **Luke 1:43**

2. The fetus has a capacity for “\_\_\_\_\_”–the newly conceived being instantly has a capacity for spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

a. Jeremiah and Isaiah understood that their spiritual ministry began in the womb, not when they were born (**Jeremiah 1:5; Isaiah 49:5**).

b. John the Baptist was going to announce the Messiah (**Luke 1:15-17**).  
John was a six-month-old fetus that was spiritually responsive and sensitive **Lk. 1:41-43**).

3. Scripturally speaking, the fetus is an \_\_\_\_\_.

a. **I Corinthians 17:14** is not saying that a child’s salvation is determined by their parents’ relationship with the Lord. The context of this scripture is addressing the attitude of a believing spouse to their unbelieving spouse. It addresses the impact of the sanctifying influence of the believing one on their family.

b. The Lord does not destroy the righteous with the wicked (**Genesis 25:18**); therefore, we can rest assured that an unborn child, no matter what the cause of its death, as a being with spiritual capacity, will go straight into the presence of God at their death.

c. Job lamented that he did not die in his mother’s womb (**Job 3:9-19**). *The Hebrew language used shows that he would have immediately gone to be in God’s presence.* (contrast **Isaiah 57:21**).

Job uses the word “*rest*” 3 times, “*sleep*” (a word only used for the righteous dead---however, **never meaning “soul-sleep”**). What he is meaning is that had he been stillborn, he would have bypassed earth—and the pain and anguish that he was currently experiencing—and would have gone straight into the presence of the Lord!—**not to some place of endless judgment.**

d. Solomon declared that child short-circuited to heaven is better than a prosperous man who is not good, and that child experiences more rest than others (**Ecclesiastes 6:3-4; Ecclesiastes 3:5**).

4. The children will be \_\_\_\_\_.

Scriptures state that there is an **earthly body and a heavenly body** (**I Corinthians 15:40**). The design of every person who would ever be conceived is written in Heaven. Everyone **is** and **will be** recognizable.

a. David will recognize his first son with Bathsheba (**II Samuel 12:22-23**).

b. There will be children in heaven (**Zechariah 8:3-5**).

c. **Moses and Elijah were recognized** by Peter, James & John (*who had never personally seen or met them*) on the mount of transfiguration—even though Moses & Elijah’s bodies would have long-since been decayed and in the dust. And that they would not have received their glorified bodies as of that point in time. (**Mark 9:2-8**).

d. God has a unique design for our bodies and our appearance that He personally gets involved with as “*craftsman; to embroider; to weave; to fabricate; to prepare.*” (**Heb.**) would his/her project. There is nothing left to chance with Him. (**See Psalm 139:15-16**).

**Answer Key:**

1. prenatal existence
2. spiritual responsiveness-----sensitivity
3. eternal being
4. recognizable in heaven