

3 Questions About Life

1st Question: WHERE DOES LIFE COME FROM?

*In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. **John 1:1-4 (NLT)***

Whenever the living beings give glory and honor and thanks to the one sitting on the throne (the one who lives forever and ever), ...they lay their crowns before the throne and say, "You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased."

Revelation 4:9-11 (NLT)

In Acts 3:15, Peter calls Jesus "The Author of Life..."

*Children are a gift from the Lord... **Psalms 127:3 (NLT)***

2nd Question: WHEN DOES LIFE BEGIN?

*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 watched **me** as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. 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. How precious are your thoughts about **me**, O God. They cannot be numbered! **Psalm 139:13-17 (NLT)***

Three truths about every human before we are born:

God Created Me

Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it...

God Saw Me

You watched me as I was being formed...

God Planned My Days

Every day of my life was recorded in your book...

The Unborn are called “Babies”

*When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the **baby** leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.*

Luke 1:41 (NIV)

*This will be a sign to you: You will find a **baby** wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger. **Luke 2:12 (NIV)***

The life of the Unborn is protected by the same punishment for death as a child or adult.

*“If men who are fighting hit a pregnant woman and she gives birth prematurely but there is no serious injury, the offender must be fined whatever the woman’s husband demands and the court allows. But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life.” **Exodus 21:22-23 (NIV)***

3rd Question: WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO END A LIFE? (WHAT ABOUT CHOICE?)

*“You shall not murder.” **Exodus 20:13 (NIV)***

*“There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to Him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a man who stirs up dissension among brothers.” **Proverbs 6:16-19 (NIV)***

Answer: NOT ME!

In those days... everyone did as he saw fit.

Judges 21:25 (NIV)

Don’t you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You

do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (NLT)

WHAT ABOUT FORGIVENESS?

1. Ask God for mercy according to His love.

Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love. Because of your great compassion, blot out the stain of my sins. Wash me clean from my guilt. Purify me from my sin.

Psalms 51:1-2 (NLT)

2. Confess your sin out loud to God.

For I recognize my rebellion; it haunts me day and night. Against you, and you alone, have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your sight... **Psalms 51:3-4 (NLT)**

3. Ask for renewal, as you ask for forgiveness.

Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Oh, give me back my joy again; you have broken me— now let me rejoice. Don't keep looking at my sins. Remove the stain of my guilt. Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me.

Psalms 51:7-10 (NLT)

4. Tell others what God has done for you.

Then I will teach your ways to rebels, and they will return to you. Forgive me for shedding blood, O God who saves; then I will joyfully sing of your forgiveness. Unseal my lips, O Lord, that my mouth may praise you.

Psalms 51:13-15 (NLT)

God Will Not Waste Your Hurt

For the Christians: We MUST stop being judgmental, we MUST show love, and we MUST be part of the solution.

*If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But **if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.** If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts. **1 John 1:8-10 (NLT)***