



# Hot Potato #7: **“Is Abortion Murder?”**

Bruxy Cavey @ Upper Oaks Community Church, Sunday, May 30, 1999

## INTRODUCTION – FROM PASSION TO COMPASSION

### THE BIBLE AND DEVELOPING HUMAN LIFE

Made in God's image...

**Genesis 1:26-27; James 3:8-10**

Our relationship with God begins in the womb...

**Psalm 22:9-10; 139; Isaiah 49:1, 5**

Dr. Luke uses same word for “baby/child” before and after birth...

**Luke 1:41, 44; 2:12, 16; 18:15** (Gk. = *brephos*)

Jesus champions life...

**John 10:10**

Taking a stand for the oppressed and victimized...

**Isaiah 1:16-17; Matthew 25:40, 45; Luke 4:18-19**

Murder vs. Manslaughter?...

**Exodus 21:22-23**

### BUT WHAT ABOUT...?

- a. The Mother's Rights?
- b. Extreme Cases?

### THE MESSAGE FOR...

- a. Pro-Lifers  
**Ephesians 4:26; 1 Peter 3:15**
- b. Pro-Choicers
- c. Expectant Mothers
- d. Those who have had an abortion  
**Psalm 130:3-4; 1 John 1:9; Isaiah 1:18**

### CONCLUSION – HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE YOU MURDERED LATELY?

**Matthew 5:21-22**

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### **Home Church Questions...**

1. Have you ever had an experience with abortion, or pro-life activism, or talking with someone who has experienced abortion? If you have a related experience you would be willing to talk about it, please share it.
2. What aspect of our society's Pro-Life/Pro-Choice debate frustrates you the most?
3. Read **Psalm 139**.
  - a) What is your favourite verse? Why?
  - b) What verses *most* relate to the abortion issue? How so?
  - c) What do **verses 1-12** say about God's ability to transform even the most hopeless situations?
  - d) How could **verses 19-22** be abused by some in the abortion debate?
  - e) How could **verses 23-24** be applied to our lives, regardless of what our current involvement (or lack of involvement) is in the abortion debate?
  - f) Take time to make these last two verses your closing prayer.
4. *LOOKING AHEAD (Only if time permits):* In what ways could the adjective “sexy” be applied to God? Think about it!