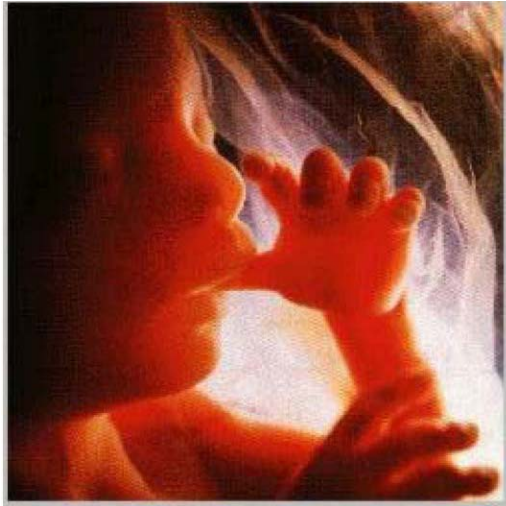




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Abortion does cause foetal pain



Abortions may cause pain to fetuses at a relatively early stage of development, a leading doctor has said. Professor Vivette Glover, from Queen Charlotte's and Chelsea Hospital in London, says she believes that fetuses over 17 weeks old may feel pain. She says doctors should consider carrying out terminations under anaesthetic.

Professor Glover's view contradicts a report issued by the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (RCOG) which said there was no possibility of foetal awareness before 26 weeks.

Legal Murder

She told the BBC: "I think that the evidence is that the system is starting to form by 20 weeks, maybe

by 17 weeks. Given there is a possibility (that a foetus can feel pain) we should give the foetus the benefit of the doubt." She also said that obstetricians should be aware of the possibility, and should consider giving anaesthetic directly to the foetus when carrying out an abortion.

Kevin Male, a spokesman for the Pro-life charity Life, said, "This is more evidence that human life exists from the moment of conception. We have known it all along, and I suspect that everybody else knows it subconsciously, but will not admit it." "Abortion is proof that we live in a society with an element of barbarism in it." However, Ann Furedi, director of communications for the British Pregnancy Advisory Service, the UK's largest independent provider of abortions, said no new evidence had been presented to suggest the foetus could feel pain. She said: "The expert advice presented to the Department of Health, in 1995, when it sought advice in response to similar reports, was that before 26 weeks the brain is insufficiently developed to 'feel' or 'experience' pain. This advice is still supported by the RCOG. "Even Professor Glover acknowledges that 'it is incredibly unlikely that the foetus could feel anything before 13 weeks.' "At BPAS, although the well-being of the woman is our primary concern, we take all possible measures to treat the foetus with respect and care, and we would not knowingly expose it to unnecessary suffering."

Casual Cruelty

What should be noted in the statements of Professor Glover and Ann Furedi is their unbelievable cruelty. Professor Glover, having concluded that an unborn baby of 17 weeks can feel the pain inflicted at abortion, (pain, it should be stated, that results from the unborn baby being ripped apart) concludes that "obstetricians should consider giving anaesthetic directly to the foetus when carrying out an abortion." She does not appear to believe that it is wrong to kill this little human being! It is just wrong to cause unnecessary pain when doing so!



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In the same vein, Ann Furedi says: "At BPAS . . . we take all possible measures to treat the foetus with respect and care, and we would not knowingly expose it to unnecessary suffering."

It is incredible beyond words that these two women can be talking about the murder of unborn babies! *A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel*, Proverbs 12:10. Where is the reproach of society? There is none. Professor Glover was one of the Women of the Year 1995, 1996 (Guest of Honour), 1997, 1998 and 1999. These two women are held in the highest esteem by the public and nothing unseemly or cruel is seen in their actions or words. Here is evidence of the darkness of apostasy which prevailed in Judah, in the days of Jeremiah the prophet, and which produced the cruel practice of sacrificing infants to the heathen deity, Molech (Jer 32:35).

Are not the unborn sons and daughters of this nation today sacrificed to the god of pleasure, for by far the greater number of abortions are carried out, simply because the conceived child is unwanted and unwelcome and is the result of carnal pleasure-seeking.

While the consensus of opinion on abortion in the medical world is that the unborn child is not a true entity but merely a "thing" which may, without compunction, be killed, a Dutch research team reports on their findings on the "learning ability" of an unborn child. Doctors in the Netherlands used sound to determine if an unborn baby could react, respond to and recognise a specific noise. They found that while foetuses moved when they first heard the sound, they later became used to it and did not react.

According to the doctors, this showed the foetuses were able to remember the sound and "learn" it was harmless.

How much man has yet to learn about the Creator and His creatures!