

Teachings on Life: Christianity

Christianity is the world's biggest religion, with about 2.1 billion followers worldwide. It is based on the teachings of Jesus Christ who lived in the Holy Land 2,000 years ago.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations." (NAS, Jeremiah 1:4-5)

I am a Christian and I believe in God the Father, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. Jesus is God in the flesh and the second person of the Trinity. I follow the Lord in truth.

A few of my foundational beliefs that shape my views on abortion:

Life is special and sacred. Each one of us has a soul that originates in God and lives on after our body dies. We are created in God's image and likeness. Our Father values human life greatly and has shown this by sending His Son to die for us.

The teachings found in the Old and New Testaments are the great fountain of my faith. As a Christian, I consider the Bible to be the divinely inspired word of God. Therefore I respond to the call of Jesus to love my neighbor as myself. I follow my Lord's teaching that whatever I sow, I shall reap.

All human life, including life developing in the womb, is created by God in His own image. Human beings are therefore deserving of love, protection and opportunity.

If I had the opportunity to share my heart with a Christian woman or couple who might be considering an abortion, this is what I would tell them: The child God has created and given to you has a special purpose to fulfill. Giving this person the opportunity to live a full life is a blessing for all of us. Only God knows the changes that could come on earth because your child lived among us.

