**📄 STUDENT HANDOUT**

### ****Tough Questions – Biblical Answers: What Does God Say About Abortion?****

**Objective:** To explore the biblical, theological, and scientific perspectives on abortion and develop a godly response to one of today’s most pressing moral issues.

### 📊 Opening Insight

“Abortion is the most frequently performed operation in the U.S.”  
➡ In 1980: **1.5 million abortions**  
➡ Nearly **1 in 3 pregnancies** ended in abortion  
➡ Since 1973: over **25 million unborn lives lost**

🖊 **Reflection:**  
Why is it vital for Christians to understand and address this issue biblically?

### 📖 Part I – What Does the Bible Say About the Unborn?

🗝 **Key Scriptures:**

* **Genesis 1:27** – Made in God’s image
* **Psalm 139:13-16** – God’s care in the womb
* **Luke 1:41-44** – John leaps, Jesus is “my Lord” before birth

🖊 **Notes / Takeaways:**  
What do these verses reveal about personhood and life in the womb?

### 💡 Part II – Personhood and Moral Clarity

**Biblical Ethics:**

* **Exodus 20:13** – “You shall not murder.”
* **Exodus 21:22-25** – Equal value of mother and unborn
* **Galatians 5:20** – Historical link to abortion-inducing drugs

🖊 **Discussion:**  
Is something legal always moral? How does Scripture define the difference between innocent and guilty life?

### 🧬 Part III – What Science Tells Us

🩺 **Medical Milestones:**

* Day 21: Heartbeat, spinal cord forming
* Month 1: Brain, arms, legs, eyes, ears begin developing
* Month 2: Fully formed; responds to touch
* Month 3: Kicks, swallows, breathes, has fingerprints

🖊 **Reflection:**  
How does knowing these facts about fetal development influence your view?

### 🧠 Part IV – Dealing with Difficult Situations

Discuss how to respond biblically to:  
✔ Rape or incest  
✔ Emotional trauma  
✔ Fetal abnormalities  
✔ Life of the mother

🖊 **Notes:**  
What biblical principles apply in these situations?  
How can we respond with both **truth** and **grace**?

### 💬 Final Thoughts

📜 **Deuteronomy 30:19** – "Choose life, so that you and your children may live."

💭 **How can we:**

* Support women in crisis?
* Be a voice for the voiceless?
* Extend grace to those affected by abortion?

### 🙏 Prayer Focus

* Wisdom to stand for life and truth
* Healing for those impacted by abortion
* Compassion to show Christ’s love