

The Heart Condition

Proverbs 4:23 (KJB) Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

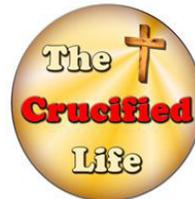


The inward condition of the heart is at the heart of the matter in any given circumstance. The Bible tells us in **Proverbs 4:23**, the heart is where actions commence, including that of the shedding innocent blood.

In a nutshell, there is a difference in the shedding of blood and in the shedding of innocent blood. What is the standard used in deciding when the taking of life is wrong and when it is anticipated according to the will of God? Yes, throughout all history God has called for the shedding of blood in certain times and circumstances, but He has never called for the taking of innocent life, such as in an abortion or other act of murder. Mankind has chosen to repeat the shedding of innocent blood repeatedly throughout the ages

Abortions, by far, are the leading cause of death from the shedding of innocent blood. This heinous act leaves some fathers not knowing they were to become a dad, for any mother can make this choicer on her own. For fathers who know about an ended pregnancy, they must face a lifetime on earth without meeting their child. Additionally, abortion leaves grandparents without a grandchild, aunts and uncles without a niece or nephew. Abortion wipes out many lives God intended for a future generation

Abortion leaves each mother, who makes this awful choice, to live with an incredible weight of shame and guilt on her conscience. That is until she chooses to personally meet with Jesus Christ concerning her sin and receives forgiveness. Yes, abortion can be forgiven.



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**ECCLESIASTES 1:9
(KJB)
THE THING THAT
HATH BEEN, IT
IS THAT WHICH
SHALL BE; AND
THAT WHICH IS
DONE IS THAT
WHICH SHALL BE
DONE: AND THERE
IS NO NEW THING
UNDER THE SUN.**

**All
Life is Precious**



**Innocent
Blood**

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Hebrews 9:11-12 (KJB)

But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; 12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

The Shedding of Blood

Bloodshed, among both saved and lost hearts, has been around since ancient times. In fact, in some instances, such as ancient sacrificial offerings, it was called for under the direction and desire of God. In times of war, for the consequences of sin, or according to judgment of God are other reasons.

Certainly, you understand that not all shedding of blood is wrong in the eyes of God. In fact, Jesus Christ was called on by His Father God to shed His own precious blood so you and I can choose to live forever.

However, we know that life is found in blood and we understand, therefore, that precious life is taken in the act of shedding blood.

Many people fail to comprehend the difference between a murderous act of bloodshed apart from God and the shedding of innocent blood. One leaves a man blameless before God and the other leaves a man, like Pilate, with guilt and blood on his hands (*Matthew 27:24*) or without hope like Judas (*Matthew 27:3-10*).

Yes, indeed acts of bloodshed can be sinful and the senseless taking of life, while other killing can be at the direction of and in agreement with the nature and character of God.

“What?” You may ask upon hearing about God in ancient times directing a person or people to murder others. Or shake your head in disbelief in a literal taking of “an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth...” as was divinely recorded in **Exodus 21:22-27, Leviticus 24:19-20, Deuteronomy 19:19, and Matthew 5:38-42.**

Now, before you get your underwear in a twist, there are many “flavors” of shed blood, such as abortion, pre-meditated murder, a criminal act such as a shooting spree, times of war or an accident. Any observations and judgments concerning types of shed blood are not merely based on opinion or understanding but involve applying God’s concrete answers established by His holy standards. Only His standard can establish right from wrong concerning all things, including bloodshed.

God’s timeless decrees and direction concerning bloodshed, are found in the Old Testament introduced according to God’s will for the spiritual health of Israel and all ancient people, for the early New Testament church, and ultimately for our learning and application today, as given of God and recorded in His Word.

Moral people are not necessarily godly and can choose spiritually ill behavior. Ultimately any person, even a Christian, in anger, can allow uncontrolled rage to boil over, leading to unthinkable acts, including murder.