



# Pro-Life Bulletin Board

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## Is contraception the cause of abortion?

Let's think about what contraception is and why a married couple would use it. Contraception employs either a chemical or device that is designed to prevent the human sperm from fertilizing the human egg, or a chemical or device that works (at least part of the time) to destroy a human being who is but a few days old. In either case, the method being used is supposed to make it possible to have marital relations without a baby being the result. Or, put simply, the couple using contraception is saying no to God.

The couple wants to have the pleasure without taking the risk of conceiving a baby. In other words, the two people have made a decision that does not conform to God's plan for marriage and the procreation of children. But chances are, in today's society, this couple may not know that contraception is wrong. They may not realize that God has a perfect plan for marriage. They simply may not be aware that most popular forms of so-called contraceptives may kill their children.

I am sure there may be couples who do know the facts and are still willing to tell God to mind His own business—they will get back to Him when their plans allow for a child. But I fear there are many, many more who have never been taught any of the moral and ethical reasons why the practice of contraception is wrong.

Yet even if the couple is functioning in ignorance, the reality is that when a couple chooses to contracept, they negate the value of a child. If they happen to conceive in spite of their efforts to avoid it, what do you think happens? Well, the first idea that pops into their minds is that "this is an unplanned pregnancy; we were using protection and it failed."

All too frequently this leads to a discussion about abortion and a potential death—the death of the preborn child. The fact is many couples make the abortion decision, or the mother makes it alone, because it seems logical. Their "plans" failed and the "problem" must be solved. Many of these couples also do not realize that abortion is an act of murder.

Contraception lulls the couple into a moral fog regarding the meaning of sexuality and the gift of children. Contraception transforms the marriage act from an act of love into an act of selfishness. Where there should be a total self-giving to each other, there exists a wall that separates love from life.

To be true to our principles as people who are pro-God and pro-life, we must oppose contraception. We must make it clear, for the benefit of all those who are unaware or ignorant of the truths involved, that the practice of contraception is wrong; it is anti-life, it is anti-love.

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## Pregnant and in need of help?

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