

ABORTION

- SCENARIO CARD -

DILEMMA

“A 20-week ultrasound of a pre-born baby reveals an abnormality that could mean he or she is born with a deformity. Is terminating the pregnancy justifiable?”

[WRITE ANY ANSWERS ON YOUR STUDENT HANDOUT PAPER]

BIBLE VERSES TO CONSIDER

- Psalm 139:13-16 (God’s work in the womb)
- Luke 1:15 (A baby in the womb filled with God’s Spirit)
- Psalm 51:5 (A baby in the womb having a ‘sin nature’)
- Exodus 21:22-23 (Recognizes the personhood of the unborn baby and justice if he/she is harmed)

EXTRA THINGS TO CONSIDER

- When does a human life actually begin?
- Is the baby actually a part of the mother’s body?
- Is there absolute certainty the child will be born with a deformity? Does that even matter?

BU THANASSIA

- SCENARIO CARD -

DILEMMA

“During a virus outbreak, some politicians on T.V. begin making the case that the elderly and frail should be left to die (or even euthanized if requested) in order to free up resources to help younger people who have more life ahead of them.

Do you agree or disagree with them, and why?”

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BIBLE VERSES TO CONSIDER

- Exodus 20:13 (God prohibits murder)
- 1 Samuel 2:6 (Life and death solely belong to God)
- 1 Corinthians 15:26 (Death is an enemy, not a good)
- 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (We are not autonomous over what we do with our bodies – God is)

EXTRA THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Are people only worth as much as they can contribute to society?
- Can you be fully sure a person won't recover from sickness?
- What roles do families play in the care of older members?

CAPITAL
PUNISHMENT

- SCENARIO CARD -

DILEMMA

“A judge (in a country that uses the death penalty) has sentenced a convicted and remorseless serial killer of 5 people to life in prison. The victims' families are outraged as they were seeking the death penalty.

Has the judge made the right decision? Why, or why not?”

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BIBLE VERSES TO CONSIDER

- **Genesis 9:5-6** (God permits capital punishment)
- **Romans 13:1-5** (God has established human governments to restrain evil and bring justice – even ‘the sword’ – on those who do wrong)
- **Acts 25:11** (Paul doesn’t argue against a potential death sentence for himself if he were guilty of it)

EXTRA THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Is capital punishment the same as personal vengeance?
- Does the threat of the death penalty actually deter crimes and save lives?
- What if the criminal is later discovered to actually have been innocent?

WAR

- SCENARIO CARD -

DILEMMA

“A peaceful, neighbouring country is invaded by another nearby, hostile nation. The aggressors refuse to negotiate. Should your country go to war to help your friendly neighbours? Why, or why not?”

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BIBLE VERSES TO CONSIDER

- Luke 6:27 (Jesus' call to love our enemies)
- Exodus 22:2-3 (Killing in self-defense)
- Proverbs 24:11-12 (Help victims of tyranny)
- Romans 13:1-5 (God has established human governments to restrain evil and bring justice – even 'the sword' – on those who do wrong)

EXTRA THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Is there a difference between attacking and defending in a war?
- When Jesus said to “turn the other cheek”, does this rule out defending ourselves/families from harm?

ANIMAL

RIGHTS

- SCENARIO CARD -

DILEMMA

“While at university, you receive a pamphlet from a protestor arguing that animals deserve the same rights as people and so shouldn't be eaten.

How might you respond to them?”

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BIBLE VERSES TO CONSIDER

- **Genesis 1:26-27** (Humans are the pinnacle ‘Image-bearers’ of God’s creation, and are given authority over everything else)
- **Genesis 9:3** (God permits the eating of animals)
- **Proverbs 12:10** (Treat animals with care)

EXTRA THINGS TO CONSIDER

- How can we best care for animals while benefiting from them?
- Are human beings basically just advanced animals?
- What do humans beings do that animals don't?