

Dear Friend,

Most people have never heard of John Howland. He was one of the pilgrims who first sailed to America on the Mayflower. He almost didn't make it to America, however, because he was swept overboard during a horrific storm in the Atlantic ocean. Through the heroic efforts of the crew, he was brought back onboard, and his life was spared. He made it to America, eventually married, and had several children.

As you study his many descendants, you find names that are very familiar with us today. Here are just a few of them:

Franklin D. Roosevelt (32<sup>nd</sup> U.S. President)  
George H. W. Bush (41<sup>st</sup> U.S. President)  
George W. Bush (43<sup>rd</sup> U.S. President)  
Humphrey Bogart (Film Actor)  
Phillips Brooks (wrote "O Little Town of Bethlehem")  
Maude Adams (stage actress)  
Ralph Waldo Emerson (poet)  
Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (U.S. Senator)  
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (poet)  
Sam Ervin (U.S. Senator)

There are many more names I could add to this list that most of us are familiar with. If John Howland had died on that voyage before arriving in America, not only would his own life had been lost, but also the lives of all his descendants would have been lost also.

We understand in modern times how God created our DNA to function. No two people have the same DNA (unless they are identical twins), just like no two people have the same fingerprints. We know that when the sperm of the male fertilizes the egg of the female, new life is created. Half of the DNA comes from the father and half from the mother to create a unique DNA for that new human that never existed before in any human in history ... and will never exist again in the future of human history. Each human has its own unique DNA.

That means if John Howland had died before having children, none of the people listed above would ever have existed. Those unique combinations of DNA from the fathers and mothers down through the generations would never have occurred.

The world would never have read the poems of Longfellow or Emerson. The world would never have heard Humphrey Bogart say, "Here's looking at you kid." The United States of America would not have had the leadership of Roosevelt during World War 2.

There is a Jewish proverb which states, "*He who saves the life of one person, saves the world entire.*" That proverb is based on the truth demonstrated above ... the death of one is the death of many.

Science says when the sperm and the egg unite, a unique zygote is created. That zygote has all of the genetic information within it to fully develop the entire human. The DNA of that human is created at the first cell division. To abort the zygote is to kill the unique human created by the joining of the DNA.

Let's take this one step further. If you abort the zygote, you not only kill the human, but you also kill all of the humans who would have been the descendants. If John Howland's mother would have aborted him when he was a zygote, she not only would have killed John Howland, she would also have killed all who would have been his descendants.

Of course, exceptions have to be made for rape, incest, and those occasions where the life of the mother is truly in jeopardy. But the truth is, those cases account for less than five percent of all abortions.

Abortion kills the human zygote. Abortion kills not only the human zygote, but it also kills all of the descendants that zygote would have produced had it been allowed to come to maturity.

No wonder the pagan "gods" demanded child sacrifice. Those are demons pretending to be "gods." Satan hates humans because they are made in the image of God. Child sacrifice was one of the major sins that caused the nation of Israel to be conquered by its enemies.

It is one thing for pagan cultures to embrace child sacrifice. It is another thing entirely for Christians to champion abortion as some kind of "women's right" when in truth ... it is murder plain and simple. Not only is it murder, it is mass murder because every abortion not only ends a single life, but it prematurely ends the lives of all who would have been the descendants.

Israel was judged and conquered because it offered up thousands of its children to be sacrificed. America has offered up the innocent blood of over sixty million of its children. God have mercy on us. God forgive us. God help us.

One last thought ... if you have had an abortion, there is forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Remember that king David was an adulterer and a murderer, yet he repented, and God has accepted him into heaven. He will do the same for you. There is no sin so heinous that the blood of Jesus cannot wash it away.

Your fellow servant for Christ,

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