

Made In The Image of God

Intro:

1. Background and beliefs determine attitudes toward human life.

Body:

- I. The view of evolution, humanism, and atheism.
 - A. The effect of such thinking: Jeffrey Dahmer interview.
 - B. Humanists fall into the same category as evolutionists.
 - C. Some atheists may say they value life.
- II. God's view is diametrically opposed to evolutionary views.
 - A. Human life is made in the image of God — Genesis 1:26-27.
 1. God gave man a living soul — Genesis 2:7.
 - B. The human child is a gift from God — Psalm 127:3.
 - C. God himself values human life.
 1. He gave His only begotten Son — 1 John 4:9-10.
 2. He requires the life of one who kills an innocent man —
Genesis 9:5-6.
 - a. Therefore, killing innocent human life is sinful —
Romans 1:28-29, 32.
- III. Opposing views have brought debate.
 - A. The Bible sets God forth as Supreme Ruler — Eccl. 12:13.
 - B. Humanism places human values above all else.
 1. In contrast — Jer. 10:23; Pr. 14:12.
 2. The effect of humanism is a “me” oriented society.
 - a. In contrast — Matt 22:39; Matt 7:12; Phil 2:3-4.
 - C. Myths have been propagated in the liberal media.
 1. They say the embryo in the womb is not human life.
 - a. That which is growing in the womb —
Gen. 16:11; Lk 1:31, 36, 41.
 - b. Science confirms that life begins at conception.
 2. Related problems: Legalized abortion; birth control methods; *In Vitro* fertilization; stem cell research.
 3. They say euthanasia is a way of relief for those with low quality of life.

Conc:

1. Christians should ask, “Is it in line with God's will?”