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This week's Topic: A Post-Abortion Story



Education: “Terri” was 19, living with a co-worker, when she became pregnant after a one-night stand. The doctor she went to said he did not do abortions, but had no other information to offer her. She told her mother and step-father about the pregnancy, but they just said she was an adult and the decision was up to her. Her mother brought her to the abortion clinic and paid for the procedure, going out for coffee with other mothers of clinic patients while they waited. She told Terri to forget about it and go on with her life.

Terri later married, but was afraid to tell her husband about the abortion. When she gave birth to their daughter, she did not feel the strong love for her that a mother normally would. Terri thinks it was because of her unexpressed grief over her aborted child, and the fear that God would punish her by taking away this child. After ten years of marriage, the pain of her abortion became unbearable, and she finally told her husband about her abortion. She was so relieved that he did not condemn her, but gave her support and compassion. She contacted Project Rachel, and with counseling, Bible Study, and a monthly support group, she found healing and peace.

(Taken from a true testimony, “Fear and Forgiveness” found at www.afterabortion.org)



Prayer: Dear Father God, please help all women who are considering abortion to get good information about abortion and the help that is available with alternative solutions to the problems they face. Help all Christians to be ready to help women find the pregnancy centers and other sources of support that will empower mothers to choose life for their children. Help us to always treat post-abortive women with compassion, and help each of them to find healing and forgiveness in you loving arms.



Action: Be aware of Option Line (800-712-HELP, www.optionline.org), a 24/7 hotline with phone counselors ready to talk to anyone concerned with a crisis pregnancy, as well as direct them to the nearest pregnancy center. Carry business cards with the Option Line phone number, and share with ob/gyns, high school staff, parents groups, anyone who might come in contact with someone in a crisis pregnancy. Option Line business cards can be obtained from Christian Voices for Life.

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