

## **Comments from men whose partner had an abortion**

### **John from Canada;**

I was climbing the ladder of success in the acting and performing world. I was not at all Christian back then. My girlfriend at the time was an actress who using an IUD for contraception, but it didn't work and she became pregnant. We both felt we could not go through with the baby because our careers were just getting rolling. I went down to the clinic with her. I read magazines in the waiting room, waiting to escape from the responsibility of being a father. She came out of the room, a changed person. She tumbled into an intense depression. I tried to avoid the pain and dove harder into my career. Our relationship was over.

I did not learn my lesson. Soon after that I met a woman who was a doctor (M.D.). She became pregnant even though she was on the pill. We agreed that it was an inconvenient time to have a baby because we were "building our careers." We aborted the baby.

Although my girlfriend wanted the abortion also, the moment she was on the operating table and the doctor was using a suction machine to remove the parts of our baby, she had a powerful urge to say "put that back!" It was devastating to her emotionally. No amount of medical training could explain away the emptiness. There was no explanation for this emotional tumble, except that we had done something horribly wrong. Nothing could cover her motherhood.

I instantly understood that the abortions I was involved with were murder and that although the abortions were legal, in God's eyes they were murder. In the midst of this crisis, God showed me the sanctity of life from conception and how He loves all children, including the unborn. Oh Lord forgive me.

I never rose again in the entertainment field, and the reasons for the abortion fizzled away and left me with the simple realization that I had committed murder against one of God's beautiful children - my child.

God is a forgiving God and he has freed me of the guilt. But he is also a just God. He showed me clearly the severity of what I did and what it cost me.

Two organizations that have helped me are Rachael's Vineyard, and Silent No More Awareness Campaign. I encourage anyone who has experienced the trauma of abortion to contact these organizations. Rachael's Vineyard is a healing retreat, and Silent no More is an opportunity to witness to others, helping them not to make the same mistakes

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### **Bill from Tennessee;**

40 years ago, when I participated in the abortion of my son. I should have said no to the abortion but I did not.

Today I would do anything, I would give up anything to have that choice back; to have

had the courage to say, "No." Instead, I said nothing. I was afraid. During the procedure, I felt numb and helpless, and for this monumental failure, I take full responsibility.

We did get married but my wife struggled with bouts of depression, low self-esteem, and the buried guilt of her lost motherhood. The baby that was taken was forgotten by all her friends but not her.

Her baby cannot be ripped away without devastating and permanent consequences. The wound is forever. Years later we found repentance and reconciliation through a retreat program. Help and healing is available.

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Watch the short video "The Apology" for an insight look into what 3 men say about being involved with abortion.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dUw6K6T5WTw&feature=youtu.be>

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A father suffers the loss of his child by abortion

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/father-aborted-baby-nightmares-child/>