

Stem Cells: The Issues

"Buy the truth, and do not sell it, also wisdom and instruction and understanding." Proverbs 23:23 (New King James Version)

Should Christians be _____ to stem cell research?

A Brief Survey Of Stem Cell Research

A. What are stem cells?

1. In the _____, stem cells can _____ themselves into a number of _____ types of cells.
2. But stem cells are also found in _____. These have been used to treat some types of _____ for many years.

B. Medical research centering around stem cells:

1. Some propose that stem cells will be able to help deal with _____ problems, with _____ and with _____ damage.
2. _____ stem cells are called the "_____ standard" by some. These are taken from _____ fetuses or from discarded _____.
3. Others argue that _____ stem cells represent the future.

Does The Bible Speak To Issues Of Stem Cell Research?

A. **We must respect the sanctity of human life:**

1. Psalm 139:13 - What was inside David's _____'s _____? "It was _____!" David would reply.
2. Luke 1:41; 2:12 - The same word is used for the _____ in Elizabeth's _____ and the _____ in the _____.
3. Exodus 20:13 - If it's _____ life, we must not _____ it.
4. Genesis 50:19 - _____ was not in the place of _____.

B. **Pragmatic reasoning should not guide our decisions:**

1. John 11:50 - If _____ would come to Israel by _____'s _____, why not do it?
2. Acts 2:23 - But those people were _____, Peter said.
3. Numbers 20:12 - _____ came forth, but _____ was wrong for what he did.
4. Proverbs 23:23 - _____ the truth and do not _____ it.

C. **We must reason carefully on controversial subjects:**

1. Genesis 1:28 - Is it _____ to alter things to _____ them?
2. Arguments of the _____ may no longer be _____.

We must stand on _____'s _____. But let us make sure we are standing where God's word stands.

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