

“If Babies Are Born Into Sin, Do They Go to Heaven or Hell When They Die?”
Matthew 18:1-5

- Psalm 139:13-16
 - God is sovereign over our life and our death. No one dies a minute before God wills it (Hebrews 9:27; Job 14:5) and no one is born a minute before God wills it (Deuteronomy 32:39; James 4:13-15). God does not approve of evil actions that lead to life and death, but He is sovereign over them and works them together for good and according to His purposes (Genesis 50:20; Romans 8:28).
 - Life starts at the moment of conception and God is directly involved from that moment to the time of our death (Matthew 1:18-25). Life is so precious, that God decrees that if one takes someone's life it should cost them their life (Genesis 9:6).
- Being born into sin results in physical death (Romans 5:12) and spiritual death is a result of willful sinning against a Holy God (Revelation 20:13-14). So what makes me responsible for my sin before a Holy God (Romans 1:18-23)?
 - We willfully suppress the truth by taking actions that we know are wrong. We have a knowledge that this action is sinful (conscience or God's Word).
 - We perceive in creation God's eternal power and divine nature. We are able to see the glory of God and the evidence of God in creation.
 - We realize God exists but we do not thank Him or glorify Him, but instead worship created things.
 - We reject God's wisdom in His Word and find wisdom apart from God's truth.
- The Bible teaches there is an age of not knowing good from evil (Deuteronomy 1:39; Isaiah 7:16; Jonah 4:11).
- God talks about children as being innocent and Jesus uses children as an example of the converted/salvific state, and Jesus blessed children (Jeremiah 19:4-5; Luke 18:15-17; Mark 10:16; Matthew 18:1-14).
- The Bible teaches that when a child dies the child goes to a place of rest, Heaven, not a place of torment, Hell (Job 3:11-13 & 16-17; Ecclesiastes 6:3-5; 2 Samuel 12:23).
- The Bible teaches that people from every tribe, language, people and nation will be represented in Heaven (Revelation 5:9; Revelation 7:9).
- The Bible clearly teaches that those that are in Hell are there because of the willful sins that they had committed against God (Matthew 7:21-23; Romans 2:8; 2 Peter 2:10-22; Revelation 20:13-14; Matthew 25:41-46).
- Lastly this teaching is consistent with the idea of God saving us, not us contributing to saving ourselves.

Worship: Tis So Sweet (Various Artists)

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery (Matt Boswell)