

“Unplanned” - The Movie

A Review – Study

1. What was your overall impression of the movie? What especially stood out?
2. What lie(s) swayed Abby Johnson to volunteer and work for Planned Parenthood? How did this change through the story? How did Abby fall further into believing what the Planned Parenthood staff was telling her? Have you ever done similarly? What “opened your eyes”?
3. What were some things that gave Abby doubts and apprehensions about her job and Planned Parenthood as she progressed in her career? How did her supervisor feel about her having a baby? Why do you think Abby was reluctant to back out of her job?
4. What did Abby’s family members think of her job? Would you have acted differently toward her? Why or why not? If so, how?
5. What led Abby to think it was God’s will for her to take the promotion she was offered? Why do we as Christians know it’s wrong to try determining God’s will this way? What should we trust for knowing God’s will for our lives and decisions? How does this help preserve our freedom in Christ?
6. What experience especially led to Abby’s conversion? Why do you think this particularly impacted her?
7. What ministries or ways of ministering were especially influential and helpful in facilitating Abby’s conversion? What wasn’t helpful?
8. When Abby wondered how she could be forgiven, her husband said: “...He’s God. He’s merciful.” How can we be sure of this?
9. Toward the end of the movie, Abby states that a person “*can be* redeemed” when coming to repentance and faith in Christ? Where does Luther’s Small Catechism especially discuss redemption? Before or after a person comes to faith? How does this clarity allow for more effective evangelism to those who are outside the faith?
10. What are some ways Abby’s story compares to Luke 15:11-24? How does her story compare to Peter? Saul (Paul)?

11. Having seen the movie, where do you think greater efforts should be made in convincing people against abortion and establishing a “culture of life”?
12. What did you learn from the movie?

Prayer: O God, from our mothers’ wombs You wonderfully knit each human being in your image, and though fallen, You all the more wonderfully sent your Son in our flesh and likeness for our redemption. By your word and Spirit bring all who are estranged or astray from You to repentance, true faith in Christ, and greater understanding of your good will and ways. Cause us to grow in the same; and enable us to be agents of Your truth and love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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