The Miracle Boy

The words were shocking: "Please understand that there are times when the body, for some reason or another, will spontaneously abort the fetus."

The world seemed to stop still for Jim and Donna as they listened to her physician. Donna, in just her fourth month, had begun to hemorrhage earlier in the day. When they came to Dr. Joseph's office, they were concerned; now they were very frightened.

"It is nothing that you have done or not done," continued Dr. Joseph. "But we want to send you down for an immediate ultrasound to see how things are doing. I want you to know that if your body has decided to abort the fetus, it is for a good reason. But let's wait until we know for sure."

With those parting words, Jim and Donna headed to radiology for the ultrasound test, silently praying for God's hand of protection on their baby.

"Jim, Jim, can you see the baby? He's right there! He's okay, he's okay!" shouted Donna as soon as the technician showed them the form of their baby on the monitor, and they could clearly see his heart beating. The baby was indeed still alive. Donna's body had not aborted him. They were overwhelmed with relief.

Five months later, their first son was born, and another miracle took place as he survived complications during the birth. Upon finally bringing their "miracle boy" home, they both agreed that God must have something special in store for him.

Where had such faith come from? Determined choice, perhaps.

But as Oswald Chambers once said, "Faith is deliberate confidence in the character of God, whose ways you may not understand at the time."

Give your servant a discerning heart (1 Kings 3:9).

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