

Questions for Reflection and Discussion
Respect Life
The Sanctity of Human Life

Getting Started

Look up the word *sanctity*. Then write a definition of: ***the sanctity of human life***.

Digging In

1. **Read Gen 1:26-27**. What do these verses teach us about the sanctity of human life?
2. Write a paraphrase of v. 27.
3. What does **Job 33:4** say about the origin of human life?
4. **Read Psalm 139:13-16**. How does the psalmist describe the development of a human being? (see also Job 10:10-12)
5. What is God's attitude toward children? (**Psalm 127:3-5**)
6. What is God's view regarding the taking of another person's life? (**Genesis 9:6; Exodus 20:13**)
7. In light of the above verses, what can we conclude about abortion?
8. **Read Proverbs 24:11-12 and 31:8-9**. What is our responsibility regarding babies who are being aborted?
9. How can we – at the same time – show love and concern for women who have had abortions, and men who have encouraged them to do so? (**John 3:16-17; 1 John 1:9**)



Getting Personal

- How would you answer the statement, “Personally, I’m opposed to abortion. But I believe in a woman’s right to choose”?
- What can we do to protect the life of the unborn? List at least four things Christians and churches can do.
- How can we minister to women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy? Give at least three suggestions.
- What is God calling you to do?