

Made in the Image of God

Genesis

INTRODUCTION

- Would you save the dog or the child? Why?
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- When people lose their identity apart from _____, holocausts happen.

MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD

- At each day of creation there very distinct acts of creation. Each living thing is made according to its own _____
 - God made man according _____ image, into God's _____.
 - The image of God is more than the b_____.
 - What are some characteristics of how we are made in the image of God?
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THE FALLENNESS OF MAN

- Through _____ the image of God has become so _____ that we have become depraved.
 - What are some examples by which show our rejection of God and our depravity?
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REDEMPTION OF MAN

- You are not beyond the _____ of God; you are not beyond His _____ grace.
- We find our _____, our _____, our redemption in Christ Jesus.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?

As a follower of Jesus, will you:

- Take His stand for the preciousness of human life?
- Speak His truth in love?



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Some people argue that abortion is justified because the unborn child is too small, not developed, lives in its own environment, or is dependent on the mother for life. However, do those things define the value of a human life?

Size

Some might argue that it's too small and thus it shouldn't have the same rights as a newborn. But does size define the value of human life? Is a 6' tall, 210 lbs. person more valuable than a 5' tall, 105 lbs. person, a 3' tall toddler, or a 21" newborn? The unborn are nearly always smaller than a newborn, but that doesn't mean that they have any less value. Size does not give value to a human being.

Level of Development

Some will often say that the unborn is less developed than a newborn, so they are not fully human. A newborn is less developed than a toddler. A toddler is less developed than an adolescent, and an adolescent is less developed than an adult. Even a mentally disabled adult might not be as developed as a toddler. In all of these examples we wouldn't think of killing a person because they aren't as developed as someone else. The value of a human life does not depend on their level of development.

Environment

Many will argue that because the unborn is located in a different environment (the womb), it's okay to kill them. However, how does your location, though, affect your value? Is an astronaut who spacewalks in orbit, or a Scuba divers who swim under water equally as valuable as someone sitting in their living room? If changing your environment can't change your fundamental status, then being inside or outside a uterus can't be relevant either. How could a 7-inch journey through the birth canal magically transform a value-less human into a valuable person? Nothing has changed except their environment and location.

Degree of Dependency

A popular argument is that the unborn is less of a human because it is dependent on its mother for life. However, is someone less of human being because they take insulin, have a pacemaker, need dialysis, ventilation due to a coma, or are elderly and need help with the ordinary, daily routines? Those people have value even with a degree of dependency.

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