

COMMUNITY

Sweet & Sour Share from your week something good or something hard.

Pray Pray for each other either as a large group or in smaller groups.

MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES

Message Discussion Questions

- 1.! **Read Luke 1:41-44; 2:16 and Psalm 51:5.** What do these passages teach concerning a preborn child?
- 2.! **Read Psalm 139:13-17; 16:7; 26:2; 73:21; Jeremiah 17:10; and Genesis 25:22-23.** What do these passages teach about a preborn child?
- 3.! What are some of the reasons given to justify a woman having an abortion? How do you answer each of these reasons **BIBLICALLY**?
- 4.! Discuss this statement: 'The Bible teaches that legal protection should be granted to a preborn child at least equal to that of other humans in society.' **Read Exodus 21:22-25.**
- 5.! **Modern science continues to support the personhood of a child from the moment of conception. How does it do this?**
- 6.! Since the 1973 Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*, approximately 50 million or more children have been put to death through abortion. What does God think about that statistic? What should we think/feel about it?
- 7.! What does God say to women who have had an abortion?
- 8.! Discuss this statement: 'The Bible teaches that followers of Christ should protect and care for life before and after birth with compassion for those in need.'
- 9.! **Read and discuss these passages: Deuteronomy 15:7-8; Proverbs 14:31; 1 John 3:17; Proverbs 22:22, 29:7, 31:9; James 1:27; Galatians 6:10; Proverbs 10:4; 2 Thessalonians 3:10.**
- 10.! In light of these passages, what should believers do?



11.! Discuss these thoughts: A preborn child is a new person, a living human being with all of who they are, already built into the DNA and being built. This is what makes the argument, “it is a woman’s body, simply not true... It is science that confirms this growing and developing person (they use different words) is distinct in every way with its own set of DNA. If after birth, the size of a child, the development, the environment or degree of dependency does not determine value and worth and medical care, then why would it in the womb? Every child born is still developing. We save them when they are born prematurely.

12.! **Actions to take:** Vote pro-life; support adoption services and foster care; help women who are pregnant and are struggling; offer words of healing for those who have had an abortion.

Growing in Godliness #3

Believers training in godliness (devotion to God)...

1. **Abide in the fear of Lord** (Acts 9:31, Pr. 8:13, Rev. 1:12-20)

Atmosphere of one’s heart: a) *Thinks about God correctly & Biblically;* b) *Senses God’s Presence in all things;* c) *Accepts and owns his/her obligation and accountability to God.*

2. **Are gripped by God’s love for them (Cross)** (2 Cor. 5:14-15; Jn. 17:24-26)

Attitude of one’s thinking: *Jesus has given ALL for me AND Jesus is ALL I need. Jesus loves, sees, knows, bought and owns, and delights in me.*

3. **Desire & delight in God Himself:** True godliness engages my affections & moves me to enjoy God (Ps. 42:1-2; Phil. 1:21)

Perspective & Passion for living: *God’s beauty, splendor, uniqueness, grace, holiness, power captivates my soul.*

Discuss each of these 3 important aspects of being devoted to God.

Which one is the Father working on in your life? How? Why? Examples?

Look up and discuss: Ps. 27:4; 42:1-2; 63:1; Phil. 3:10

MISSIONAL LIVING

Pray/Care/Share Who, in your life, are you asking Jesus to save?

Neighboring What are you doing in your ‘neighborhood’ during this crisis?

Serving As a Life Group, who are you serving in Jesus’ name?

