

# Pro Life or Pro Choice

## Psalm 139:13-16

*"Your eyes saw me when I was formless; all my days were written in Your book and planned before a single one of them began." - Psalm 139:16*

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**Main Point:** Each and every life is valuable because God created each life with purpose.

**Introduction:** Use the following questions to introduce the topic of discussion -

*What choices have you made today, big or small? How have these choices effected your life?*

*Have you ever made the decision to help an animal in need? Like adopting a cat or dog in distress? Why did you do it?*

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We make choices every day. Some that leave a lasting impact, others that don't. The choice to hold all life precious is one that might come naturally to you, especially you cat and dog lovers! But how many times do we fight for the life of an animal, but stay still and doing nothing about the defenseless child in a mother's womb? Understanding that God created our lives in His image gives new meaning to why we're here. Despite our circumstances we can be confident that God knows us intimately and has a plan and purpose for every life He creates.

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**Through the creation of a life, David demonstrates how valuable life is.**

### **1. Life is valuable because GOD MADE YOU. Read Psalm 139:13-14**

What does it mean to be "fearfully and wonderfully made?"

Read **Genesis 1:26-28**. Does the fact that people are made in the image of God make them more valuable than other earthy creatures? Why? What do these verses tell us about the value of human life?

In what ways were humans set apart from the rest of God's creation? Read also in **Psalm 8:3-8** and discuss God's desire for your life and its importance when He created you.

Why do you think we are tempted to view some humans as more important than others or as displaying more of God's image than others?

**2. Your life is valuable because GOD KNOWS YOU. Read Psalm 139:13, 15-16.**

Who is the person in life you know best? How does that compare with God's knowledge of us in **Psalm 139:1-12**?

What kind of value do you place on hand woven or knitted blankets, quilts, etc.? Knowing that God "knit" together every fiber of your being, how does that make you feel about your own unique design and special meaning in this world?

What efforts can our church make to help others recognize God's knowledge of their life and the immense potential and sacred value of all lives, old and young, including those still in their mother's womb?

**3. Your life is valuable because GOD HAS PLANNED YOUR DAYS. Read Psalm 139:16.**

**Psalm 90:12** says "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." What does that mean and why is it a wise practice? How does the focus of our life change when we do?

Every person has been made on purpose and for a purpose. When a choice is made to cut short the days an unborn child lives how might it affect the world around us?

What conviction must every believer have about human life? What hope do we have even if we made a wrong decision about life in the past?

What does it look like for us to practically love those who have made regrettable decisions regarding abortion or ending life early?

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**Pray:**

*Thank God for the incredible gift of life. Pray for courage to stand up for the life He creates. Ask God to fill our public offices with leaders who support life. Pray for compassion on those who have had abortions and help them find mercy and forgiveness in God. Pray our nation would repent seek to honor the life God creates.*

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