



Daily Devotionals: Protecting Children | July 18, 2021

Welcome to Week 1 of Sons and Daughters content! For this week, the goal is to think about “protecting children” in a compassionate and loving way. We don’t want to be in conflict with our brothers and sisters in Christ. But we do want to hold to God’s vision for human flourishing. We want to be a people who have a consistent pro-life ethic from womb to the tomb.

With that being said, this week, reflect on the following Scriptures and questions below. These aren’t divided up into individual days, so you might knock them out in one go OR you might split them up as you see fit. The goal is to prayerfully reflect on these questions, not rush through them.

Scriptures and questions to reflect on:

- **Read Genesis 1-2; Psalm 119:73a, 139:13-16; Job 10:11-12; Matthew 19:13-14; Luke 1:39-45; Galatians 1:15.**
- What does the Bible have to say about the pre-born?
- Why do you think issues of abortion seem so complex in our culture today?
- What beliefs (about human nature, about the body, about liberty, about freedom, etc.) do people who affirm a pro-choice stance hold to? What beliefs do people who affirm a pro-life stance hold to? How do these beliefs (differing or similar) contribute to some of the tension in the conversation surrounding pro-choice/pro-life debates today?
- How should Christians act towards those who are struggling with this issue, especially those in their same-faith family?
- What would it look like for you or your group to love and have compassion on parents who have made the choice to have an abortion?
- How can you and your life group protect the lives of the children in your circle of influence and advocate for the unborn?



Additional resources:

1. Join us Sunday, August 1 at 6pm for a panel discussion at The Creek – Franklin Road. Bring your spouse, your life group, and your questions as we hear from parents from different stages of life and glean their godly wisdom about how to raise kids well!
1. Check out the Parent Cue app. This is an app that is intended to help equip moms and dads to raise their kiddos to love Jesus! Search for it in the Android or Apple store.