

**ON THE SANCTITY OF LIFE**  
*Sanctity of Life In A Culture Of Death*  
Reference: **Psalm 139:13**  
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Today we will compare God's design for life and how man is a destroyer of life. Christians are called to respond.

**I. God is a lover of life... in fact, God is PRO-LIFE**  
(Psalm 139:13, The Message, Isaiah 44:2, John 10:10)

Paul, when sharing the message of God to the philosophers of Athens put it this way:  
(Acts 17:28)

The point of all of these passages is that the Father creates life and loves life. Jesus came to save life. The Holy Spirit indwells life.  
**God is PRO-LIFE!**

**II. Man however is a destroyer of life.**

The first death is a murder of one brother by another.  
(Genesis 4:18, NIV)

**So, how does a Christian live with a view of sanctity of life in this kind of culture?**

**III. Christians are called to respond**  
(Micah 6:8)

God's desire for us is to live just and merciful lives recognizing who He is and who we are not.  
(Micah 6:8, The Message)

**\*\*Stats from Life Choices**

- We see over **500 new clients** with new concerns each year,
- offering over **300 ultrasounds**,
- seeing over **700 clients** take parenting and fatherhood classes
- over **1,500 total client visits**.
- Nearly **1,000 students** each year are challenged to think seriously about their health and relationships through our "Abstinence Until Marriage" training
- We will see nearly **400 women** who were planning to abort, or susceptible to abort, choose to carry the baby instead,
- totally **415 at risk women** seen each year.

**OH SO IMPORTANT thoughts:**

Perhaps, even worse than the Christian who shows justice without mercy to the 'abortion industry', is the judgment and shame that Christians level at those who have had abortions.

I do not ever excuse the act of abortion, and I am never in favor of abortion ever being a viable option.

On the other hand, I want you to know that if you have had an abortion, although that was wrong, Jesus came and died a substitutionary death for ALL sin. You can find healing and receive forgiveness for that choice. You are not without an advocate, and His name is Jesus.

God is waiting to bring healing and forgiveness into your life.  
(Romans 8:1-2, 1 John 2:1-2)

Today, you can have God's forgiveness.  
No matter how guilty and shameful you feel, God is waiting for you.

Today, we want to model what Scripture teaches us,  
justice and mercy, recognizing only Christ can free us  
from this culture of death.