WE BELIEVE: HUMAN LIFE IS SACRED

Genesis 1:26-27

L. We believe that human life is sacred from conception to its natural end; and that we must have concern for the physical and spiritual needs of our fellow men.

Genesis 1:26-27; Psalm 139:13-16; Isaiah 49:1; Jeremiah 1:5; Matthew 22:37-39; Romans 12:20-21; Galatians 6:10

Human life is sacred

- Human, not animal
 - Genesis 1:26-27
 - Matthew 6:25-26
- Value assigned by God, not by perceived value to society.
 - Value was given before man was even created...before he could do any good or evil or accomplish anything.

From conception to natural death

- Not limited to size, development or age
 - Psalm 139:13-16 (unborn)
 - Matthew 19:13-15 (Children)
 - Titus 2 (Older)

Our care for life

- Luke 10:25-37
 - Who is my neighbor and how do I love them?
 - Every human
 - o Intentionally and sacrificially; As you love yourself (v27); As Christ loves us (Phil 2:3-4)
 - Physical and spiritual needs

To see their need and do what we can to serve them

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The unborn

- Issue 1 be informed and go vote to reject it. Encourage everyone you know to vote against it. Be aware of issues and politicians on every ballot and vote for those that support the right to life.
- Support pregnancy care centers.
- Invest in the lives of expecting mothers.

Moms & dads

• Encourage and enable date nights and encourage them in parenting.

Children

- Issue 1; Be aware of what they are being taught and the types of material they are being exposed to at home, school and the library...and take action if things aren't right.
- Take time to engage kids and listen to them.
- Foster or adopt, or support families who do.
- Teach Sunday school.
- Volunteer in the nursery.

- Those with physical, mental or emotional challenges that are often seen as burdens to society
 - Go to them. Spend time with them. Ask their caretakers (if applicable) how to best love on them. Advocate for them.

Elderly

• Engage them in conversation. Ask about their story & their testimony. Ask advice & glean wisdom from them.

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