



Prayer List



Challenge for the week:

From Psalm 139 my challenge for this week is:



More Resources for personal and group use:

Websites:

Westwood Teaching: Q and A series

<http://www.westwoodchurch.bc.ca/category/resource-library/all-resources-sermons/series/series-q-a-september-2014/>



EFC article: http://files.efc-canada.net/si/Euthanasia/Euth-Matter_Life_Death.pdf



MB confession of faith commentary: <http://www.westwoodchurch.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Sanctity-of-Life.pdf>

A little about Westwood Church...

We believe that God changes lives!

That motivates us to...

Bring Jesus into Life

By...

...becoming an increasingly healthy, vibrant and effective witness for Jesus in Prince George and around the world!

We do this by engaging in three things:



GATHER

Sunday mornings to celebrate and learn about God



GROUPS

Weekly meetings that go deeper in relationships with each other and God



GO

Serving in the church and community to present Jesus to the world

into
LIFE
Study guide



Sanctity of Human Life

Psalm 139

For Individuals and Life Groups

February 22, 2015



Introduction:

From our confession of Faith:

We believe that all human life belongs to God. Each person is created in the image of God and ought to be celebrated and nurtured. Because God is Creator and the Author and Giver of life, we oppose all actions and attitudes that devalue human life. The unborn, disabled, poor, aging, and dying are particularly vulnerable to such injustices. Christ calls the people of all nations to care for the defenceless.

God highly values human life. Ultimate decisions regarding life and death belong to God. Hence, we hold that procedures designed to take life, including abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide, are an affront to God's sovereignty. We esteem the life-sustaining findings of medical science, but recognize that there are limits to the value of seeking to prolong life indefinitely. In all complex ethical decisions regarding life and death, we seek to offer hope, healing, support, and counsel in the context of the Christian community.

Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7; Exodus 20:13; Job 31:15; Psalm 139:13-16; Amos 1-2; Matthew 6:25-27; 25:31-46; John 10:11

Into the scriptures

Read: Psalm 139:1-18

What do you notice about the passage itself? (Structure, repeated words or ideas, unique words, main points...)

List the qualities of God in this Psalm.

What does this Psalm reveal about God's relationship to people?



Into my life



From these verses. How can you know that God values you?

Since life begins at conception how should this shape the hard questions about abortion?

Considering how God views us, what should be our response to the sick, poor, disabled, and elderly?



Into the world



What are some things your group will do to show that you value human life?