

As you fill your virtual bottle, consider this opportunity to talk about the value of life with your family. We believe it's **never too early or too late to start talking about this important topic.** We've created this packet of age-appropriate discussion guides as a starting point.

Each section is set up for different age groups: 3-7, 8-12, 13-16. You'll find questions and scripture passages that are designed to help get your children thinking about the importance of life and how we should feel about it.

Keep in mind that this is simply a guide. Feel free to read it as is or use it as inspiration for conversations that fit your particular family. You know your kids best!

We hope this is a valuable resource for starting and continuing these important conversations with your kids!

Additional Resources:

You Are Special by Max Lucado

<u>I Grew With You</u> by Sarah Molitor

God Gave Us You by Lisa Tawn Bergen and Laura J. Bryant

<u>Pro-life Kids</u>* by Bethany Bomberger

*We recommend reading this one before reading with your children as there are two pages that depict human rights violations throughout history. You'll find a preview of the book on the website we've linked to above.



Parents Guide

Ages 3-7

Prep: We have 5 question cards for you to ask your kids starting simple and growing to help them see God's good design for life. With the questions we have conversation prompts and a scripture to read with your kids. We encourage you to pray before you have this conversation, pray that God will work in your children's young hearts to love what God loves and stand up for what is right.

Questions 1-2. Open ended. You can encourage your kids to share what they like about their siblings, cousins or friends.

Question 3. Remind your kids that it's not what they do that makes them special, it's that God has made them in His image and loves them.

Question 4. Read Psalm 139:13-16 with your kids. Help them understand that from the beginning of their life, God was working in them and has had a plan for them.

Question 5. Remind your kids that God loves his children and cares for the, so we should too even when it's hard.

Closing Conversation:

"Sometimes people are surprised when they find out they are having a baby. They might get scared and think the baby in their belly is a mistake. Sometimes they try and find ways to fix their mistake that don't make God happy. But we know that no person or baby is ever a mistake. It's our job to love those who God loves and stand up for people that others look down on. We are to be like Jesus and look out for people others don't think are special and show them love."

Leave room for your kids to ask questions.

Closing Prayer:

"Dear God.

Thank you that you have made each and every one of us in your image and that we are loved and seen by you. Give us eyes to see who you see, ears to hear those in need, hands to help them, hearts to love them, and courage to stand up for what you say is true. We love you and thank you.

In Jesus' name. Amen."

Closing Thoughts:

Remember this can and should be an ongoing conversation with your kids! Look for more opportunities to talk about life and be open to their questions. And know that lots of little conversations will help shape your kids lives and perspectives.

1. What makes you special?

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2. What makes other people special?

3. When do you think you or others were made special?

4. Some people think that you are only special when you are wanted. Do you think that's true?

5. If God has made someone what does He think of them? What should we think of them?