

Caring for the Most Vulnerable: The Unborn Babies and Their Mothers

There is a huge push for abortion at the European level – often in the name of love, dignity, freedom, and empowerment. Christians cannot turn a blind eye to this situation. How do we make a difference? What does it mean to care for the most vulnerable in a society where the right to life – a fundamental human right – is threatened? What does it mean to care for both mothers and unborn babies and to show that there is hope and there is a better story to tell? What are some best practices that we can employ?

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- I. Created in God's image: Redeeming the concept of human dignity**

- II. Pro-woman or pro-baby?**

- III. Abortion in the name of love, dignity, freedom and empowerment?**

- IV. A complex issue**

- V. Telling a better story- a pastoral response to abortion**

- VI. Caring for the most vulnerable: mothers and unborn babies**

Suggested Readings:

Case for Life by Scott Klusendorf

Abortion by Dr. Lizzie Hing with Vaughan Roberts

Matters of Life and Death by John Wyatt

Why Pro-Life? by Randy Alcorn

The Death of Humanity: and the Case for Life by Richard Weikart

Dignity Revolution by Daniel Darling

Issues Facing Christians Today by John Stott

Against the Flow by John Lennox

Whatever Happened to The Human Race by C. Everett Koop, Francis Schaeffer

Less than Human by David Livingstone Smith

Love Thy Body by Nancy R. Pearcey

Suggested Websites:

<https://care.org.uk/cause/abortion>

<https://www.desiringgod.org/topics/abortion#speak-the-truth-about-abortion>

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/topics/abortion/>

<https://loveunleasheslife.com/blog>

<https://whatsmyprolifeline.com/>

<https://www.crossway.org/articles/podcast-the-heart-of-the-abortion-debate-scott-klusendorf/>

<https://johnwyatt.com/2019/02/06/when-is-a-person-christian-perspectives-on-the-beginning-of-life/>