

A PRO-CHILD CHRISTIAN **- Selected Texts**

With the goal of being Christlike, we must be pro-child Christians!

I. A BABY-FOCUSED PASSION

- Psalm 82:3-4

A. PLEAD: Vindicate the weak and fatherless

1. Go to court on behalf of the insignificant, unwanted and unclaimed
2. See Proverbs 24:11

B. PROTECT: Do justice to the afflicted and destitute

1. Cause the unfortunate and undistinguished ones to gain their rights
2. Consider Proverbs 31:8

C. POUNCE: Rescue the weak and needy

- Passionately bring to safety the powerless and oppressed

D. PULL: Deliver them out of the hand of the wicked

1. Cause him to be extricated and separated from the wicked
2. Put all of your energy into this

II. A BROADER-FOCUSED PERSPECTIVE

- Beyond a baby-focused passion

A. A PRO-CHILD CHRISTIAN IS PRO-LIFE

1. Because every child is created by God - Psalm 119:73 and Job 33:4
2. Because every child is a blessing from God - Psalm 127:3-5

B. A PRO-CHILD CHRISTIAN IS PRO-MOM

1. Helping her manage - Proverbs 3:27
2. Understanding her plight
 - a. Note Proverbs 21:13
 - b. Example: God cared for Hagar and Ishmael in their distress - Genesis 21:14-19
3. Sympathizing with her guilt
 - a. She may very well be ashamed that she is pregnant or disturbed at being post-abortive
 - b. It is sad to suffer without comfort - See Ecclesiastes 4:1
 - c. Consider the example of Job's friends whose best move was to come and sit with him to show their support and sympathy - Read Job 2:11

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C. A PRO-CHILD CHRISTIAN IS PRO-PARENTING

1. Caring for orphans
 - a. Like Job in Job 29:12 and 31:17, 22
 - b. As an indication of true religion - Note James 1:27
2. Adopting or fostering unwanted children
 - Example: Mordechai adopted Esther - See Esther 2:7
3. Teaching children the things of God
 - Like Eunice and Lois in II Tim. 1:5 and 3:14-15

D. A PRO-CHILD CHRISTIAN IS PRO-PURITY

1. Discouraging immorality - I Thessalonians 4:3-8
2. Encouraging marriage - Hebrews 13:4
3. Proclaiming the gospel - Romans 6:23

CONCLUSION:

Christians should be pro-child and not just pro-life

- A pro-child Christian cares about the child, her mom, her parents and her purity

Let's be Christlike Christians committed to kids and all of those around them