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1. We're designed to reflect God's glory
2. In the fall, our ability to reflect God's glory was broken but not removed
3. The Bible defines the perfect image of God as Jesus himself
4. The reality of the image of God in all means that all are worthy of dignity

1. The Bible treats those in the womb as alive.

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“For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.” –Psalm 139

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“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” –Jeremiah 1:5

“For he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother’s womb.” –Luke 1:15

2. God everywhere views life as a blessing.

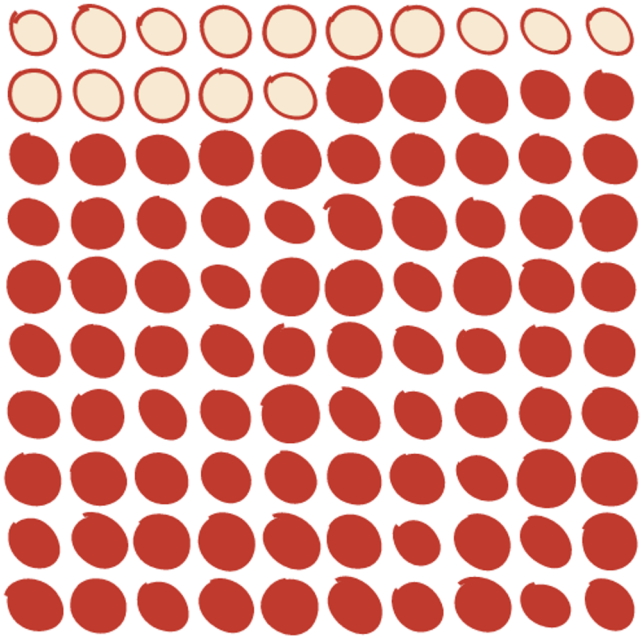
3. Satan everywhere views life as a threat.

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“What God pronounces as blessing, Pharaoh sees as a curse. Why? Pharaoh is worshiping the self as god, and the multiplication of the Hebrew people is a threat to the power of this god. So he seeks to remove that threat by any means necessary. First, he tries oppression, then the murder of infants. Years later, Herod is another Pharaoh. The blessing of all blessings—the coming of the Christ—is seen by Herod in starkly personal terms. If there was an occupant on David’s throne, it meant Herod wouldn’t be “King of the Jews” anymore. And that just couldn’t be, so he lashed out in murderous rage.” –Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Churches (56)

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Some of the tests look for missing snippets of chromosomes. For every 15 times they correctly find a problem ...



... they are wrong **85 times**

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For These Five Tests, Positive Results Are Often Wrong

As prenatal tests have expanded to more rare conditions, a larger share of their positive results are incorrect. Some of the worst-performing tests look for microdeletions, which are small missing snippets of chromosomes.

Chance positive results are wrong

DiGeorge syndrome
Affects 1 in 4,000 births
Can cause heart defects and delayed language acquisition. (May appear on lab reports as "22q.")



81% wrong

1p36 deletion
1 in 5,000 births
Can cause seizures, low muscle tone and intellectual disability.



84% wrong

Cri-du-chat syndrome
1 in 15,000 births
Can cause difficulty walking and delayed speech development.



80% wrong

Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome
1 in 20,000 births
Can cause seizures, growth delays and intellectual disability.



86% wrong

Prader-Willi and Angelman syndromes
1 in 20,000 births
Can cause seizures and an inability to control food consumption.



93% wrong

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Discussion Questions

1. What statistic surprised you the most in this discussion? Why?

2. What lies do you think Satan wants women in crisis pregnancies to believe? What lies do you think Satan wants us as Christians to believe to dull our conviction or awareness?

3. How do we share the love of Christ with women who are considering an abortion? How do we minister to those who have had an abortion in the past?