

Talk Outline – Psalm 139, Luke 1:39-45 – God & Life: Start of Life

Difficult Choices

Start of Life

Mothers - Sarah (in Gen 21), Rebekah (Gen 25); Rachel (Gen 35); Samson's mother (Judg 13); Hannah (1 Sam 1) and Elizabeth (Lk 1). Jochebed (Ex 1). Mary the mother of Jesus.

Statistics

Theological Principles

Created by God Psalm 139:13-14 (c.f. Job 31:15; Psalm 119:73)

Known by God Psalm 139:1 & 15-16

Made to Trust God Psalm 139:7- 12 (c.f. Psalm 22:9-10; 71:6)

Pastoral Implications

The principle of the sanctity of life under God needs to be matched with a concern and understanding for *both the unborn baby and his or her mother*

Particular Compassion - c.f. Luke 7; 8; 10; 13

Particular Embrace – c.f. Luke 9:47-48; 18:15-17

Engaging with our World

a.

b.

c.

d.