



Creation Order – Week 2

In Vitro Fertilization.

1. Scriptures that will help in our discussion:

- Genesis 1:27-28 God _____ “mankind” in the form of a male and a female. Then He instructed them to “be fruitful and multiply”.
- Genesis 2:24 God _____ mankind with children, who were to leave their families when they became men and women, to begin brand new families.
- Matthew 19:4-6 God reminds us of these same things, and reveals that God supernaturally creates a _____ in that relationship.
- Psalm 127:3 God reminds us that children are a _____ and a blessing.
- Psalm 82:3 God instructs us to _____ the weak, the poor, and the oppressed.
- Proverbs 31:8-9 God instructs us to _____ for those who cannot speak for themselves, the destitute, the poor, and the needy.
- Romans 12:2 We must discover _____ in God’s word that will direct our thoughts and decisions on cultural issues. We must _____ base our decisions on what society and culture tell us.

2. In previous sermons, we have established that:

- a. Life begins at _____.
- b. Following God’s created order is always the best - for _____ involved.
- c. God’s sovereignty will provide for us what we need to please Him.
- d. God can and will overcome the laws of science and nature when necessary.
- e. Messing with God’s created order will often bring about unexpected _____ consequences.

3. Truths we must realize about IVF in order to apply Biblical truth to context.

- a. Surrogacy divides what God intended to be one person (mom) into potentially _____ separate individuals. The Genetic mother, the birth mother, and the social mother.
- b. Time has revealed that those who lose their genetic mother often experience **identity issues**, those who lose their birth mother suffer a “**primal wound**”, and those deprived of a social mother are impacted **developmentally**. (Katie Foust)
- c. _____ is the best option when it comes to a child who has lost his/her parents. Surrogacy intentionally creates a child to be separated from his/her parents because an adult wants a child they cannot have or won't birth on their own.
- d. Only ____% of human embryos created through IVF will be born alive. The vast majority are **discarded** (laboratory abortion), **frozen**, given to laboratories for **research**, or selectively **aborted** to reduce the number a babies in a mother's womb (surgical abortion). – Heritage Foundation, Emma Waters
- e. One of the fastest growing demographic of IVF users are _____ couples.

4. Biblical position on IVF:

- a. It is unethical to create 7 live births, at the cost of 93 _____ human lives.
- b. It goes against the created order to _____ separate a child from his/her mother so that other adults who want a child can have one.
- c. It goes against the created order for a child to be born into a “family” that intentionally _____ the child of either a mother or a father because it is a same sex “marriage”.
- d. To be ethical, a couple would have to use their _____ sperm and egg, and _____ each and every embryo that they create, and _____ them up in their home, loving each one as the child they are.
- e. Couples who are barren, in order honor God in their lives, must _____ their barrenness, while _____ for God's intervention. **Then**, if they desire, they may pursue fertility treatments that do _____ contradict God's Created Order or _____ of His principles and precepts found in God's Word.

Article: “Surrogacy makes more babies. Pro-lifers should still oppose it” (Christianity Today, Katy Foust)

Article: “Why the IVF industry must be Regulated” (Heritage Foundation, Emma Waters) (+ many more)

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