

TOUGH ISSUES



ABORTION

WEEK TWO



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NAVIGATING COMPLEXITY



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What do we do when it appears that God has nothing to say?



The nature of human beings

**So God created mankind in his own image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.**

Gen 1:27



The child in the womb

**For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb...
My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of the
earth.**



The child in the womb

**Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in your
book
before one of them came to be.**

Ps 139:13,15,16



The nature of God

**For he will deliver the needy who cry
out,
the afflicted who have no one to help.
He will take pity on the weak and the
needy
and save the needy from death.**

Ps 72:12-13



The actions of the early Church

Jewish practice

Rescue of abandoned babies

Other sources



"Love your neighbour as yourself... You shall not murder a child by abortion nor shall you kill a newborn."

- Didache



Our response

Love and grace

Practical help and alternatives