

A pregnant woman in a green dress is shown from the side, holding a bouquet of white daisies. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green and yellow, suggesting an outdoor setting with sunlight. The woman's hand is visible, wearing a gold bangle, resting on her belly.

# Sanctity of Life Sunday

*January 18, 2015*

## *Life is Precious*

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*From the earliest moments in the womb to the last breath before death, human life reflects the image of God. Life is precious because God is good.*

*Yet the goodness of life is tarnished by man's prideful rebellion. Lives are marginalized or disregarded, sometimes only for the sake of convenience. On Sanctity of Life Sunday, we celebrate the unique character of human life.*

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## **Today is a day to renew.**

*Renew our commitment to honor what God regards as precious. Christ redeems fallen creation through the humble service of his people. As you celebrate this Sanctity of Life Sunday, prayerfully consider how God can use you:*

- *Pray that the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea (Isaiah 11:9);*
- *Pray for those struggling with difficult circumstances and are tempted to seek convenience over compassion. Also pray for those who struggle to cope with the emotional scars of past mistakes;*
- *Send a kind note to your elected officials thanking them for their service and encouraging them to join you in honoring the goodness of life;*
- *If God is stirring your heart to support an organization or ministry dedicated to promoting life, answer His call by donating your time or resources;*

*In the eyes of God, life is holy because He is holy. In honoring human life, we display to the world the glory of a Beautiful Creator.*

*"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb." (Psalm 139:13)*

