



## Christian Voices for Life

### Weekly Pro-Life

Education

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### How Often Do You ‘Speak Life’?

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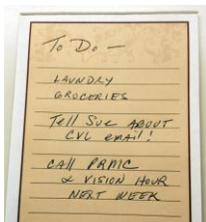
**Education:** There are 4 basic things that everyone can do to help prevent abortions and build a culture where life is once again respected and valued from conception onward. **First, we can pray.** Prayer is powerful and important. Prayers are needed for the women who are tempted to abort, for the women who are wounded by past abortions, and for conversion for those involved in the abortion industry. **Second we can “Speak Life” – more on that later.** **Third, we can support the work of pro-life organizations.** Local pregnancy help centers need both volunteers and financial support, and national groups such as Students for Life and Live Action and others, do great work to encourage students and everyone to accept and work for the pro-life view. And **fourth, we can vote pro-life.** What issue is more important than life and death?

So what do we mean by “speaking life”? We can participate in public witness events such as Life Chain and 40 Days for Life, or pray outside abortion facilities year round. But we can also speak up for life in everyday conversations with our family, friends, co-workers and neighbors – even people we sit next to on a plane.

We can educate ourselves on the issues, and be ready to respectfully correct misconceptions which are voiced by others. We can train ourselves on how to speak effectively (such as with the [CVL Voice for Life training program](#)), and learn about tools available such as the abortion procedure videos. We can learn to listen and find common ground with those who disagree with us (rather than getting into a debate that will encourage them to defend their point of view in order not to “lose” the argument). We can refrain from judging, and express concern for mothers as well as for their babies. We can ask questions and tell stories that get to the real question in regard to the morality of abortion – is the pre-born child a person with the right to life? The pro-abortion view is heard widely in mainstream media – we need to be willing to voice the pro-life view at every opportunity.



**Prayer:** Dear Lord, please help me to set my priorities to include time to pray for greater respect for human life. Help me to discern in what way I can give my time or resources to one or a few pro-life organizations, and make a candidate’s stand for life a critical criteria in my voting decisions. Help me to prepare myself to be an effective speaker in defense of life. Help me to be a voice for truth in a world where Satan’s lies have taken hold and are widely accepted. Give me the courage to speak up for life even when it is not the popular opinion of the people I am with. Give me the courage to even bring up the subject to find out which of my contacts have been deceived by the pro-choice rhetoric, so that I can help lead them to the truth.



**Action:** Pray to discern how God wants to use you to become a Voice for Life. To get started, watch the 15 minute video “[Building a Culture of Life – What Can One Person Do?](#)” If possible, follow up with the longer videos and reading of the [Voice for Life Training](#). Subscribe to [Live Action](#) emails to keep up with pro-life news not covered by the mainstream media. Read about the success stories from 40 Days for Life on [their web site](#) or in [the book](#). Consider going to the Houston Planned Parenthood (4600 Gulf Freeway) on a Saturday morning, when many others will be there, to pray for the women inside.