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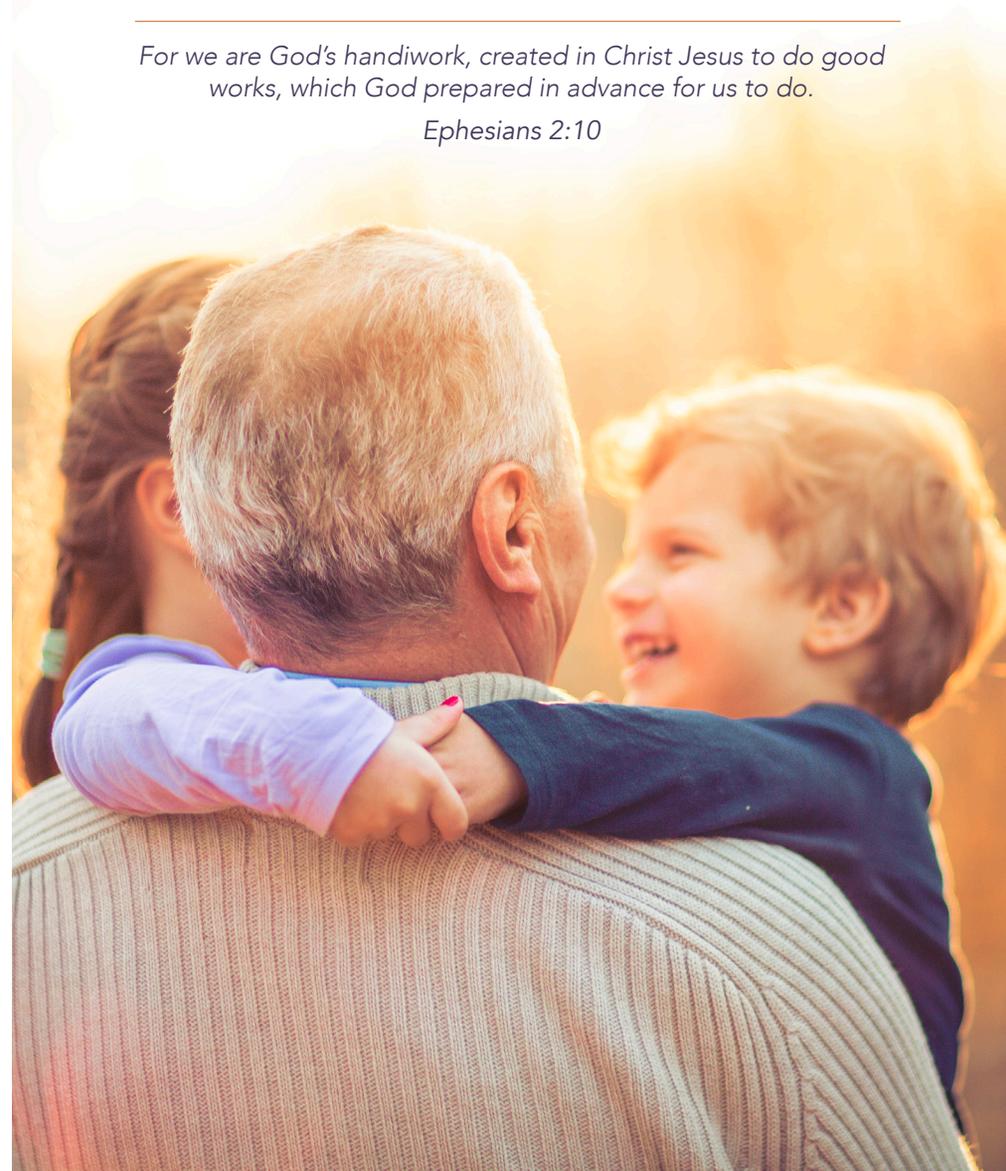
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Abortion is a tragedy beyond compare. More than 56 million of our unborn brothers and sisters have been killed in the womb since 1973. Taking a 15-second moment of silence for each would last 26 years. America is one of only five countries (with Canada, North Korea, China, and Vietnam) that allow abortion-on-demand through all nine months of pregnancy. Will you be a courageous advocate for those created in God's image the next time you have the opportunity? Will you help educate others about these facts?

## HELPING THOSE IN NEED

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*The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40*

Abortion thrives on fear: women and men fear how a pregnancy will affect their future, or their relationships, or their finances. They may need material assistance, but what they often lack is a voice speaking words of encouragement to them; often friends and family will pressure them into an abortion. Are you helping women and men face crisis pregnancies? Are you connecting them with ministries like prolife pregnancy centers in your area dedicated to helping them?

## THREATS AT THE END OF LIFE

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*You were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies. 1 Corinthians 6:20*

In 1998 Michigan turned away from an effort to legalize doctor-prescribed suicide in the state. Encouraging suicide or killing is a hard-hearted, cheap, and easy way of dealing with the sick or the disabled. People in the midst of suffering deserve our compassionate care, not lethal doses of drugs. Are you helping the sick, disabled or terminally ill to receive compassionate care, especially fellowship? What about their caregivers? If euthanasia comes back to Michigan, will you stand for compassion?

**Learn more about these issues and how to contact your local Right to Life affiliate at [www.RTL.org](http://www.RTL.org).**

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