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### God's Plan for Life

“A person is a person no matter how small.” This quote comes from *Horton Hears A Who*, one of my all time favorite books. God has a plan for us “no matter how small.” He says in Jeremiah 29:11, “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future” (New International Version). He is on our side. Abortion is not God's design for life.

God's has a unique idea for each life. Horton feels the same when he cares for the Whos in the tiny town of Whoville. Jeremiah 1:5 says, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart.” God knows every one of us. Each child born in our world has many opportunities. Some may touch another life without even knowing it. He or she might even grow up to become the person who finds a cure for cancer, or the first person to visit the red planet, Mars. If their life is destroyed, those special people will not have a chance to follow God's plan. 1 Peter 3:15 says, “in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.” We honor God with our hearts and actions, and people can see that in us. One example of honoring Him could be if a mother has to make a choice about keeping the life of a child growing inside of her or abortion, and she chooses life. That is God's hope for His children: born and unborn, black or white, large or small; God loves them all. Each person has potential and will be extraordinary when they put their hope in God.

Abortion is not part of God's plan or hope. It destroys lives and separates us from Him. He wants the best for us because He loves and cares for us all, born or unborn. Just as Horton says when he cares for the tiny Whos, “A person is a person, no matter how small.”

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