# Words that Work

# **SUPPORT**

Showcase your support for those in difficult situations

- I uphold the worth and dignity of every person.
- I support real, informed choices for women
- I protect the *most vulnerable*
- I am committed to helping the mother and the child



#### **JUSTICE**

People crave the validation of standing for justice, so invite them to stand *with* you.

- Abortion, euthanasia, and actions that destroy innocent life are violent human rights violations
- Violence isn't compassion nor is it feminism
- We must protect the dignity of all human life.

# COMPASSION

Effective persuasive conversations require the speaker to know their audience and establish trust with them before logic and reason can be heard. First, show them that you *care*.

 Express concern: for women (especially those in crisis), for pre-born children, for fathers who will never know their children, for all who are broken

• Show *empathy while standing for truth*; Women

dealing with a crisis

pregnancy deserve better

than abortion; they deserve

to know that ending their

pregnancy will not end

the crisis. How can we

offer real healing?

 Remind them of their own worth: Those who are broken need to know they still have value.



## **TRUTH & SCIENCE**

Science resoundingly supports the truth that human life begins at conception and endures until a person draws their last breadth. At no point based on age or circumstance does someone become less human. From conception forward, *humanity is a constant*.

- At 22 days, a child's heart begins to beat.
- At 6 weeks, a child begins moving.
- At 7 weeks, brainwaves are evident.
- By 8 weeks, the child is left or right handed.
- At 10 weeks, the child has developed fingerprints.
- By 16 weeks, the child's sex is easily detectable and the child looks undeniably human.

Science is clear; denying protection of life based on age (event gestational age), or location (inside the womb or out), or health (terminal illness) is nothing less than the worst sort of *inhumane discrimination*.



### **FEELINGS**

Lead with love. Real love prioritizes the best interest of another—even when it is uncomfortable or inconvenient. Love sacrificially gives support by meeting others where they are without condemnation or judgement, and helps lift them up. Let your heart break for what breaks the Lord's heart. Weep with those who weep, and carry the love, hope, and joy of Jesus to broken.

#### **FAITH**

"So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." --Genesis 1:27

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb...Your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were were written in your book before one of them came to be." --Psalm 139:13, 16

We must recognize that an attack on life, at any age, is also an attack on:

- The Image of God
- The person's created purpose & worth
- God's divine plan for each day of someone's life
- The most basic of civil rights, instituted by God