

# What to Know

## Adopted

About 135,000 children are adopted in the U.S. each year. Approximately, 5 million Americans alive today are adoptees.



..."Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

Isa 43:1

## Fatherless Homes



An absent father increases the risk for teens to experience: poverty, pregnancy, behavioral problems, criminal activity, victim of abuse and neglect, drug and alcohol use, prison sentence, obesity, and high school dropout.

Eph 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.



# I AM INDESPENSABLE!

Even when I seem weaker to the world...

*My Life Issue*



1 Cor 12:26

If one member [in the body of Christ] suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.



## Identity

Compared to older generations, the identity development of people in Generation Y and Generation Z are less effected by individual choices and more heavily influenced by online social peer groups.



Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, who formed you from the womb: "I am the Lord, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself..."

Isa 44:24

## Values

Individuals from the Baby Boomers and Generation X era tend to demonstrate optimism and rationalism, self-perfection, substance abuse, teen pregnancies, strong families, and a focus on helping others.

Younger individuals from Generation Y and Generation Z demonstrate an emphasis on family values with fewer abortions and lower divorce rates, closer relationships across generations, a desire for authenticity and transparency, care for the planet and people, and a focus on the future. They are also highly influenced by peers.





Gal 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ.  
It is no longer I who live, but  
Christ who lives in me. And the life  
I now live in the flesh I live by  
faith in the Son of God, who loved  
me and gave himself for me.

## My Christian Response

Isa 49:16

Behold, I have  
engraved you on the  
palms of my hands;  
your walls are  
continually before me.



- ▶ I look to my Heavenly Father with reverence and seek the wisdom of His Word as a light unto my path.
- ▶ I will walk in the footsteps of Christ, as a light unto the world, proclaiming the Gospel.