

Blessed in Longing

LIFE WEEK
2023



1 After a stillbirth, fathers tend to experience financial difficulties, financial debt, suppressed grief, and increased substance use while mothers often report an altered body image and lower quality of life.

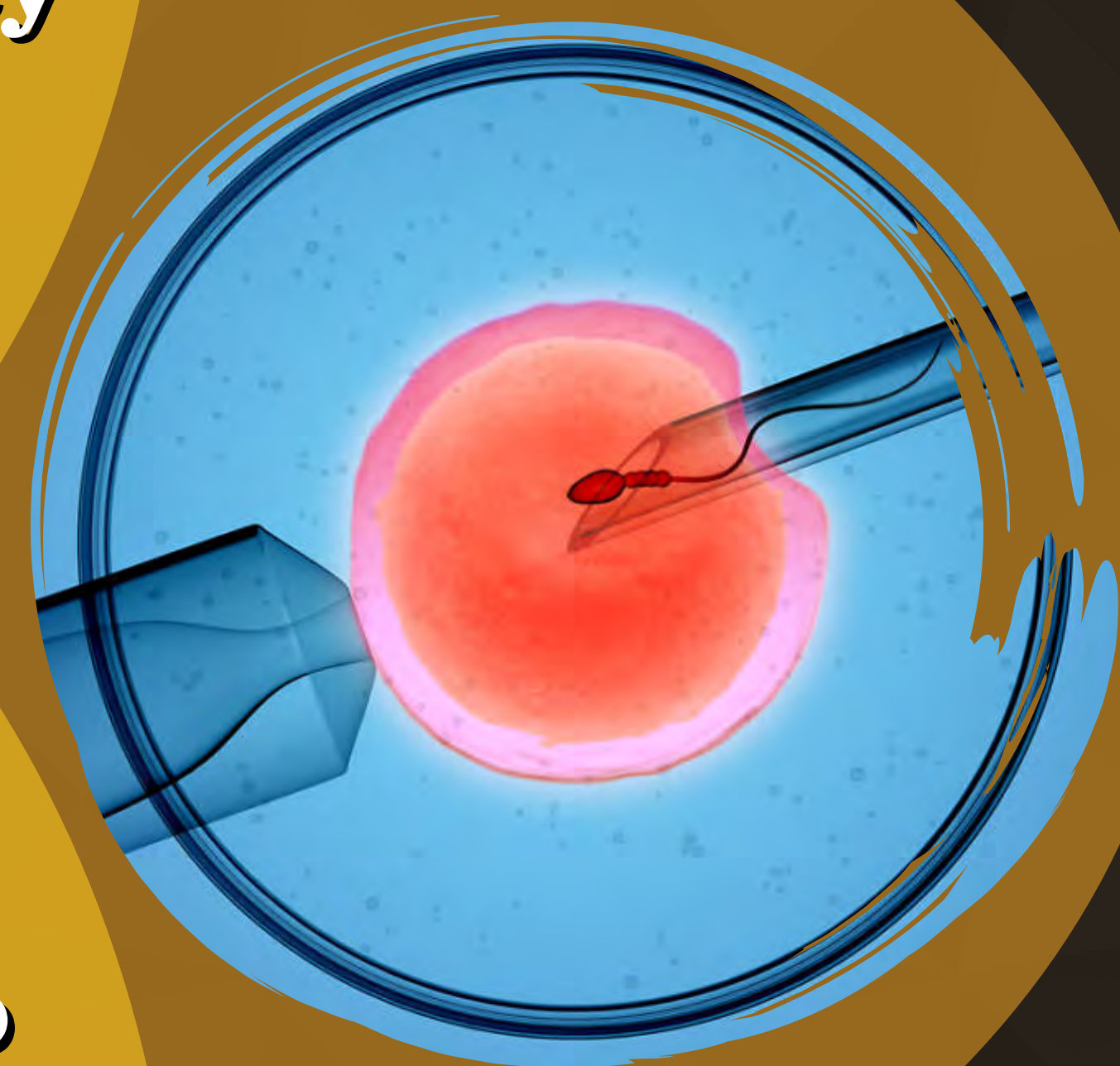
2 Infertility is more common among women who are non-Hispanic Black and have lower income or education, who lack access to healthcare, or who have had sexually transmitted infections.



Miscarriage & Stillbirth

Infertility

LIFE ISSUES



Surrogacy

In-vitro fertilization

4 Surrogacy disrupts the natural links between marriage, conception, gestation, birth, and rearing the child, which is often related to the child experiencing an identity crisis during development called genealogical bewilderment.

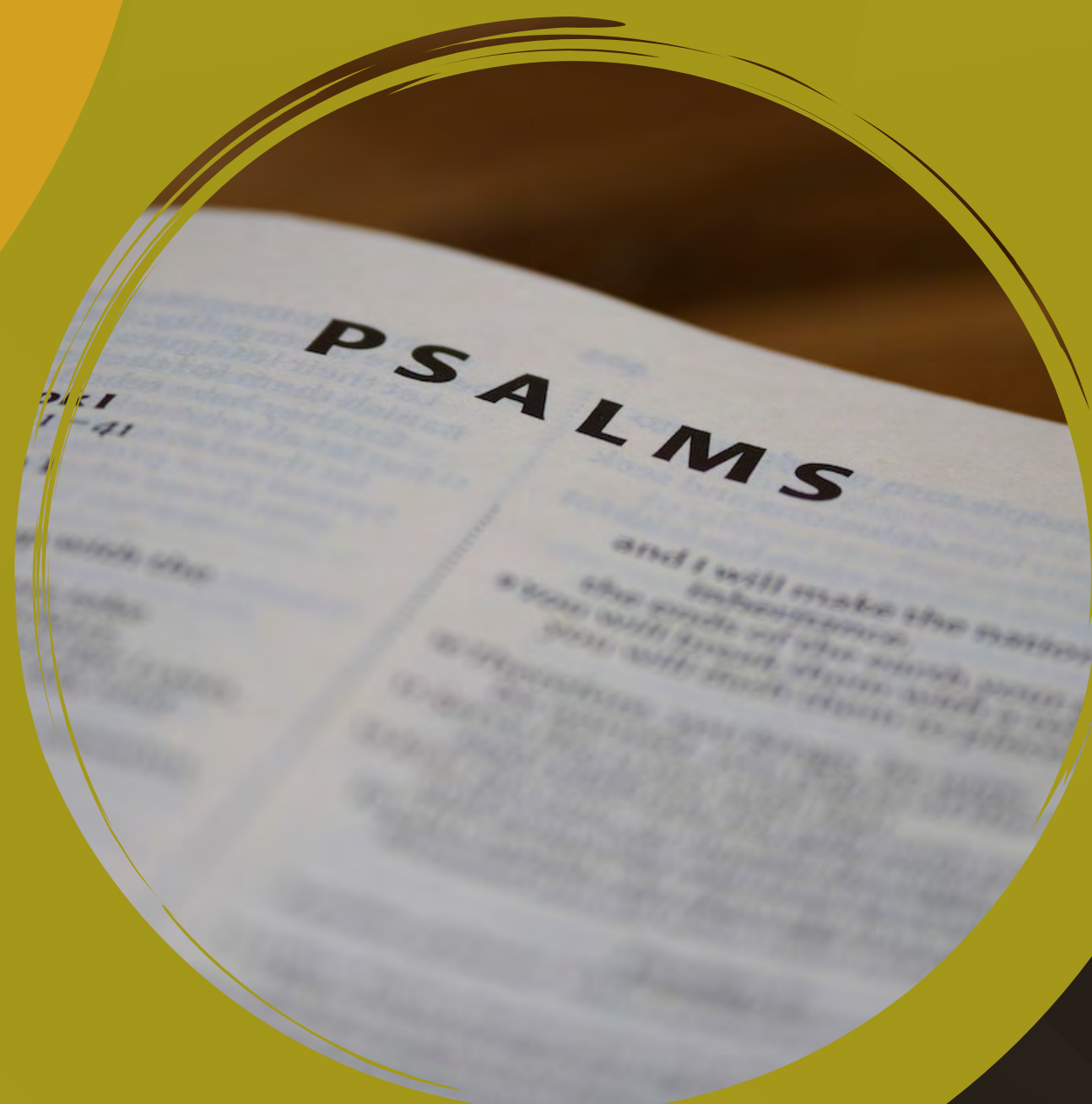
3 Women who conceived after IVF were at more than four times greater risk of stillbirth (16.2 per thousand) compared to fertile women (3.7 per thousand).



HIS WORD

**Psalm
25:5**

"Lead me in your truth and
teach me, for you are the
God of my salvation: for
you I wait all the day long."



2

Wait for the Lord, who
shall renew the strength
of the longing.



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OUR CHRISTIAN RESPONSE

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Sing and cry
aloud to the
Lord, who will
hear and comfort
the grieving.

3

Trust in the Lord,
who will lead the
lost and doubting
according to the
truth of His Word.

