Read each statement. Discuss in your groups what the moral and ethical issues are in each case. Sort them under three headings:

* acceptable to liberalist Christians
* acceptable to literalist Christians
* unacceptable to all Christians

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| Embryos are created as part of the process of IVF (in-vitro fertilisation). |  | A husband’s sperm is inserted into his wife’s uterus in the process of AIH (artificial insemination by husband). |  | An unknown donor’s sperm is inserted into a woman in the process of AID (artificial insemination by donor). |
| Unused embryos created during IVF (in-vitro fertilisation) are discarded. |  | Unused embryos created during IVF (in-vitro fertilisation) are frozen for future use. |  | A human egg, given by a donor and fertilised by her husband’s sperm, is implanted into a wife’s uterus. |
| An individual whose circumstances have changed, decides to discard their frozen unused embryos created during IVF (in-vitro fertilisation). |  | Unused embryos created during IVF (in-vitro fertilisation) and frozen for future use are left in storage for 10 years without being implanted in the mother. |  | A human egg, given by a donor and fertilised by her husband’s sperm, is implanted into a woman (a surrogate) who agrees to carry the child, give birth to it and then give the child to the husband and wife. |
| Christians believe it is God’s will for married couples to have children. Genesis 1:28 ‘God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number;”’ |  | Having children is a blessing from God. Deuteronomy 7:14. ‘You will be blessed more than any other people; none of your women will be childless...’ |  |  |