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Abstract We examine the impact of religious messaging on fertility decisions using a comprehensive database of Pope John Paul II's visits to Latin America. The effect of Papal visits varies by country context and across populations within countries. The probability of conception increases after the Pope's visit for richer, more educated and urban households, and in countries where the Pope's speeches specifically mention abortion or contraception.

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