

Kelly Marquet – Suggested Interview Topics

Kelly addresses topics grouped under the following categories:

The Truth and Consequences of a Teen Pregnancy

Unplanned pregnancy poses many challenges for a teenager, with questions and issues that few are prepared to address. Kelly can help your audience explore:

- **Abortion vs. Parenting:** Abortion ends the pregnancy, but not the factors that contributed to it. That's why repeat abortions are common among some young women. In contrast, opting to give birth requires a decision to keep and raise the child, or to give the child up for adoption. The real issue is that parenting means you have the child's best interest at heart and not your own. This is a controversial topic that creates a great deal of question and answer dialogue.
- **Adoption:** comparing open adoptions with closed adoptions – what are the differences and pitfalls?
- **Custody Issues:** Will the father be involved? What happens if the mother cannot handle her responsibilities? What rights do the grandparents have? There are many complicated issues to navigate, and Kelly helps the audience consider what is best for the newborn child and the consequences of each decision.
- **The 'Other Grandparents':** Even if the father chooses not to be involved, his family (the paternal grandparents) may desire to be. They have just as much right to their opinions and concerns as the maternal grandparents, and involving them has short and long-term implications for the child. How do you incorporate these 'family members' into your own, particularly if they are complete strangers?
- **Education and Career:** Options for continuing education during and after a pregnancy and some new career choices for stay at home parents.

The Mom-Preneur:

- Life Purpose Development – What are your best attributes and talents? How would you best serve yourself and your new family?
- Career Options-It is imperative that there is a parent at home until the child is at least 3 years old. Kelly is a firm believer in this principle. Kelly can help you find ways to support your family and still be a responsible parent.
- Parents Working From Home – There are many ways in the new virtual workplace to make money working from home. Kelly will help you explore these options and see which ones might fit for you.



A New Parents Legacy of Obligation and Responsibility:

- The Family Tribe/It Takes a Village – It may not be 1950 and June Cleaver is not in the kitchen, but the needs of our children are still just as important as ever. Learn how to accept help and care from friends and family members with grace. It is not gallant to do it all alone. Just very stressful and thankless.
- Healthcare – A new challenge this day and age. An absolute must and a critical part of being a responsible parent.
- Diet and Exercise – Taking care of yourself, so you are able to take care of your children. The most important concerns of today’s young parents.
- Our New Leaders in Training – Your children will be our future. You owe it to them to give them the best foundation. How do you do this even if you yourself did not have one? Consider this thought: Your next Senator, President, CEO with a full face of piercings, tattoos, pants hanging down around his/her groin creating the laws and structure of our nation. Our teens aren’t growing out of this phase, it is lingering on and the entitlement issues are lasting on through the 30’s! How do we change this?
- Making a Difference- What can you do as an adult or parent to make a difference in our youth today? Become a mentor. Be the change.