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"FROM AWARENESS TO ENGAGEMENT HOW YOUR CHURCH CAN FIGHT HUMAN TRAFFICKING"

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A Suggested Roadmap

Arm yourselves with prayer and Scriptural study

Become informed about human trafficking

Consider which aspect(s) you wish to address

Protection Victim Needs Prevention Advocacy

Connect with others for support



Arm yourselves with prayer and Scriptural study

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.

Speak up and judge fairly;

defend the rights of the poor and needy."

Proverbs 31:8-9 NIV Hebrew Scriptures



Arm yourselves with prayer and Scriptural study

"He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."

Micah 6: 8 RSV Hebrew Scriptures



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"...Love your neighbor as yourself...."

Matthew 22:39 RSV Christian Scriptures



Inform all adults about human trafficking

RESOURCES

- US DHHS Look Beneath the Surface www.rescueandrestore.org
- Fast facts and referral card (orange card) Vetted by Polaris Project
- o Documentary: *Illicit: The Dark Trade,* National Geographic
- Organizations' websites:

www.sharedhope.org
www.youthspark.org
www.ecpatusa.org
www.caase.org

www.gems-girls.org
www.protectionproject.org
www.notforsalecampaign.org
www.missingkids.com
www.Polaris.com

Legal Framework re: Human Trafficking

Elements of the Crime of "Severe Forms" of Trafficking in Persons

A Conceptual Model to Understand the Federal Framework of the Crime, as Defined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000

A CTION

Induces,
Recruits,
Harbors,
Transports,
Provides,
OR
Obtains

M EANS *

Force

- Causing serious harm or physical restraint

Fraud

Coercion

- Threats of serious harm to, or physical restraint against, a person or another person
- Abuse or threatened abuse of law or legal process
- Any scheme, plan, or patternintended to cause a belief that...

P URPOSE

Commercial sex

acts

OR

Labor/

Services

*Means not required for minors under age 18 induced into commercial sex acts.



What factors allow human trafficking to occur?

- Basic insecurities creating vulnerability
- Demand behaviors
- Impact of social media
- Gang culture
- Easy access to illicit and prescription drugs



What is allowing human trafficking to flourish?

- Low risk with high returns
- Impact of social media
 - Sexualizing society
 - Igniting demand behaviors
 - Defining the 'good' life
 - Allowing anonymous behavior and isolation
- Weakening of family unit
- Drive for higher and higher profits
- Consumer desire for low cost products



Vulnerability Factors

- Age is primary female age 12 to 14
- Abuse at home
- Drug use by caregivers
- Homelessness
- Running away from home
- Involvement with juvenile justice system
- At-risk behaviors, including gang activity, underage drinking and substance abuse
- Lacking in life skills
- Being bullied



Recruiting Techniques: Force, Fraud, Coercion

- Offer to fulfill basic needs
 - Food
 - Shelter
 - "Family"/belonging
- False promises
 - A good job
 - Educational and other opportunities
 - Love and romance
 - Higher purpose (radicalization)
- Use of Force
 - Violence/ Kidnapping



Emerging Priority Factors

- Family conflict; poor family management
- Out-of-home placement
- Poor connectedness to school
- Teenaged parenting

Source: Wake County Assessment funded by John Rex Foundation.



Consider which aspect(s) you wish to address

Examples

- Protection
- Victim Needs
 - Prevention
 - Advocacy



Protection/Prevention Create nurturing home environment

- Strengthen Families
- Resource: 2016-18 Prevention Guide US Children's Bureau
 - Develop a Family Safety Plan
 - Resource: National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
 - Prevent Child Abuse (for Parents/Adults)
 - Resource: Darkness to Light training (<u>www.d2l.org</u>)
 - Available online or from Child Advocacy Centers and YMCA
 - Understand Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences
 - Resource: Resilience documentary Prevent Child Abuse NC



Protection/Prevention Create a thriving environment in your 'neighborhood'

- Offer classes that strengthen families
- Provide motivating environment to counter
 - Risks related to social media and gangs
 - Drug use and impact of pornography
 - Youth running away from home
- Support a safe haven for minors escaping negative home environment, aging out of foster care



Advocacy

Examples:

- Become mentors for minors
- Provide volunteer support for service providers
- Talk with elected officials to ensure services are available



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMMEDIATE INVOLVEMENT

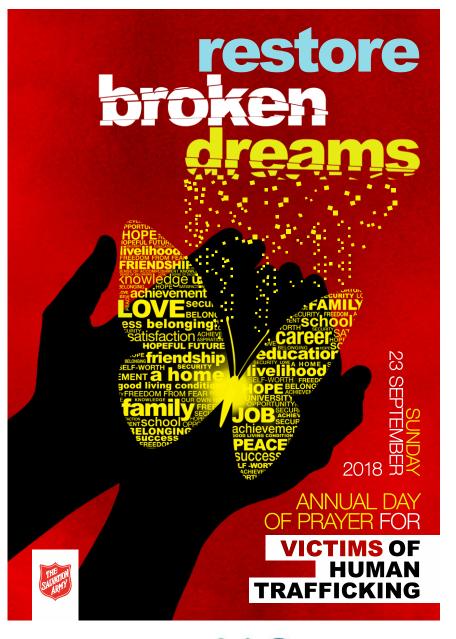
- SALVATION ARMY ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING SEPTEMBER 23, 2018
 - PRAYER GUIDES
- INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION FREEDOM SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018
 - SHARED HOPE INTERNATIONAL FAITH IN ACTION TOOLKIT AND OTHERS
- GRACE Certification (Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment)
 - "BE THE ONE" DOCUMENTARY SCREENINGS
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 - WNC FREEDOM COALITION

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE



Salvation Army Annual Day of Prayer for Victims of **Human Trafficking** Sunday, September 23, 2018

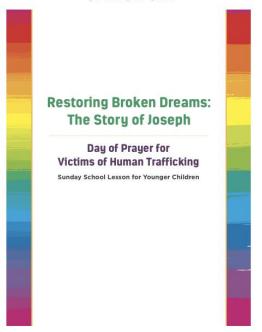
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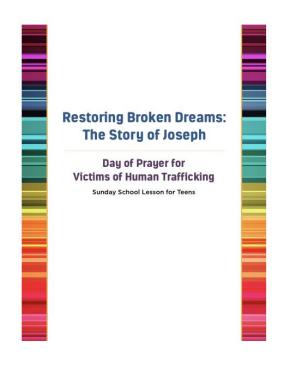


2018 Salvation Army Annual Day of Prayer for Human Trafficking Victims

Sunday School lesson for younger children



Sunday School lesson for teens





Bible Study Meeting Joseph One lesson focusing upon a journey of hope through four themes:

Beloved
Betrayed
Bewildered
Beginning Again

Bible Study - Meeting Joseph

The story of Joseph is found in the book of Genesis, from Ch 37 through to Ch 50. Joseph's saga is integral to the overall narrative of the Israelite's descent into Egypt and is one of the most expansive, layered and elaborate stories in the Torah. The extensive coverage (14 chapters!) follows Josephs progression from favoured son and dream interpreting shepherd to his prominence as Minister of Egypt.

From the beginning, in Ch 37, we are straightaway introduced to Joseph as Jacob's favoured son. Vs 3: "Jacob loved Joseph more than all his sons since he was a child of his old age". Joseph begins life basking in the love and devotion of his Father. But this favouritism, along with his talent for interpreting dreams, when combined with Josephs immature & ensuing behaviour (Genesis 37:2 & 37:5-11) raised the destructive jealousy we see enacted in the brothers.

It doesn't take long for the brothers to act up. It's easy to imagine them sitting around in the shepherding fields, disgruntled by their shared experience of jealousy. The compounded jealousy bubbles up into action and - on seeing Joseph the dreamer appear in the distance - they ambush the unsuspecting favoured brother and throw him into a pit. They soon sell him to Midianite merchants on their journey to Egypt who in turn sell him on to Potiphar and into servitude. It's here that we connect with the theme of Joseph as a victim of human trafficking and slavery.

For the brothers, betrayal begets deceit. The coat belonging to the favoured son is torn apart, dipped into goat's blood and presented to their Father Jacob as evidence of his son's death. Sin compounded by sin.

This epic story contains so many classic themes: Calling. Favour. Jealousy. Despair. Determination. Courage. Relief. Forgiveness. Redemption and Reconciliation.

[For those who want to explore the text further, this story falls into the theory of the "Genesis triangle" which plays itself out right through Genesis - Abel/Cain: Abraham/Lot: Sarah/Hagar: Jacob/Esau: Joseph and his brothers. Favouritism - Jealousy - Reconciliation. A dominant theme where Gods action through his people demonstrates the triumph of reconciliation over the needs of the human ego and self.]

Joseph's journey is a rich tapestry, mimicking - to lesser and greater degrees - life as many of us experience it. His life is a series of highs and lows, moving between the highs of favouritism and unconditional love through to the lows of victimhood and betrayal; through the bewildering experience of forced servitude, false accusation and imprisonment back to the highs of restoration, renewal and reconciliation.

As we observe Joseph, we can make links between the experiences of the characters in the story and our own experiences. In this bible study, we also attempt to examine the plight of those who currently live through and experience the heinous crime of trafficking and modern day slavery and we seek to reflect on our own willingness to engage with their plight.

The Hebrew scholar, Yoram Hazony, makes this point: "The bottom line is that the Bible introduces hope into human political affairs. What it does is it takes the individual, empowers that individual and says "Somewhere above you, there is a transcendent God who is not controlled by the King or by the Priests or

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Prayer Guide for Victims of Human Trafficking

Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking

Heavenly Father

We, your children, trust your words in Mathew 11:28: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

We pray for the liberation of victims who are in bondage to all the various types of Modern Slavery. They want to be free of their bondage, but they are helpless. They are crying out for someone to help them—who can bring freedom in their lives, Please bring freedom to these slaves in the world. Nothing is impossible to you Father. Remove the chains of their oppression. Let the oppressors understand what is just and let them repent for their unjust actions.

Dear Lord, we thank you for your grace as you have provided us everything we need. But we pray for those who are not having enough food, clothes, shelter or means to pay for other necessities, Father, give us generous hearts to share our blessings with those who are in need. Help us to understand their needs. Soften our hearts with compassion to help them jorfully.

Lord, you are the strongest tower and mighty shelter. We are safe in you. We thank you for those of your children who have been rescued. Bless your people who worked for their rescue, Bless the children who are experiencing freedom. Please heal the physical and mental wounds of these children. Let them feel that they are equally important in your sight. Let not anyone harm them. Make them safe and let them feel safe and secure.

Dear Lord, each morning we experience your love, joy, kindness and hope. We thank you for all these. We pray for our brothers and sisters who have experienced the darkness of life. Make us a channel to she you we and care for them. Help them to understand that you offer a new joyful life if they will come to you. Help us to counsel and support them so that they can limitly sustain their new life.

Lord, each life is precious in your sight. Dear Lord, restore the joy of life to those who became victims of human trafficking. Provide them enough resources to rebuild and reshape their lives. May we rejoice in you always.

Dear Lord, you are the One who rescues from every kind of slavery. You are the Saviour who forgives us all our sins and make us a new creation. Lord you are the potter and we are the clay. Mould and shape us to become a witness to that new creation so that others may also seek and experience that life as a new creation.

Dear Lord, you are the Lord of Justice, You love those who walk on the path of justice. We pray for your people who deal with traffickers, Give your wisdom, knowledge and strength to handle the traffickers while investigating them. Give them courage to fight against the wrong. Show them the way to achieve justice for those who have been so wrongly treated. At the same time we pray for the survivors. Protect them from all harm, Give them courage to face their former traffickers and their past experiences. We pray for the people and organizations who are working to assist them to become more than a victim or survivor, but a person who is thriving.

Heavenly Father, we pray for the various governments, civil society organisations and especially the churches and for the people who are involved in this noble task to bring an end of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking. We pray that all authorities at every level may be supportive, resistant to corruption and bribery and join their hands for the betterment of the survivors. Lord helps us to provide them with a good space in a loving environment, so they can live freely and happily and they can find resources for their rehabilitation.

Dear God, as children of you, give us new insight to bring these lives who have suffered so much darkness into Your Light. May we be able to stand in unity, as a Church, with them for their freedom and justice.

Heavenly Father, here our cries as we reach up to you.



Life 107 Ministries Prayer Guide http://life107ministries.org/get-involved/pray/

PRAYER GUIDE



Life 107 Ministries believes in prayer. What can you do? Your prayers are crucial in the fight against sex trafficking. This prayer guide can be used in many ways. There are six categories: 1) pray for one category per day, for six days 2) pray for each category daily, using one of the suggested prayer points 3) pray for each category for one week, praying for six weeks.

PRAY FOR VICTIMS

Who are the victims?

Average age of recruitment in the USA is 12-14 Many are runaways from sexual abuse and/or violence in the home Under coercion, fraud, physical violence, threats and manipulation Isolated, afraid, and vulnerable

"Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eves of the blind." Psalm 146: 5-8a

- · Pray for resources, shelter, clothing, food, safety, and protection
- · Pray that victims will have hope for restoration of lives, bodies, and spirit
- · Pray for insightful law enforcement and counselors and mentors to enter their lives

PRAY FOR TRAFFICKERS AND PERPETRATORS

Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, "I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me." Romans 10:20

- · Pray for restraint and discovery of evil activities, recognition of sin, and godly sorrow
- · Pray for hearts of repentance and a heart to hear God's Word
- Pray for Christian men to have a heart and a calling to minister to those involved in exploiting women

PRAY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

"Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked." Psalm 82: 3-4

· Pray for protection as they dedicate their lives to justice

- Pray for victims to be recognized as women in need instead of as criminals and for law enforcement to administer mercy as well as justice
- · Pray for wisdom and discernment in seeking out perpetrators and traffickers and that evil will not prevail

PRAY FOR LIFE 107 MINISTRIES

"For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, 'For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth." Romans 9:17

- Pray for adequate funding for the services we provide to women trapped in prostitution and sex trafficking in the USA
- Pray for Life 107 Ministries' Board members and supervisors to have discernment and wisdom in leadership efforts
- · Pray for God's direction as we seek out new efforts and continue to make a difference in the lives of hurting women

PRAY FOR WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

"Truly, I tell you, whatever you did for the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it for me" Matthew 25:40

- Pray that individuals in Western North Carolina will offer their personal resources in the fight against sex trafficking in the USA
- · Pray for cooperative spirits in working together to eradicate sex trafficking in America.
- Pray that God will raise up more volunteers in the fight against sex trafficking and for the hearts of women trapped under this oppressive exploitation.

PRAY FOR LIFE 107 MINISTRIES' VOLUNTEERS

"Let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season, we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

- \cdot Pray for the Holy Spirit to move in a powerful way in the ministry of Life 107 volunteers
- Pray for hearts of love and mercy for the women we serve, and for discernment and wisdom as we mentor ladies involved in the commercial sex industry
- Pray for spiritual and physical protection and renewal of spirits to not give up in this difficult fight

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https://www.ijm.org/churches

- Find out more
- Request free sample materials
- Sign up online to host a Freedom Sunday event

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https://www.unicefusa.org/interfaithtoolkit

USA VERSION



UNICEF INTERFAITH TOOLKIT TO **END TRAFFICKING**

- Illustrations of how differing religious traditions share common faith values that encourage an end to exploitation of others
 - Possible action steps
- Focus on Interfaith responses to Migrant Crisis
 - Interfaith resources



CAASE

Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation

http://media.virbcdn.com/files/1a/FileItem-150130-ProtestantToolkit.pdf





GRACE CERTIFICATION GODLY RESPONSE TO ABUSE IN THE CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT

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UNDERSTANDING OFFENDERS
UNDERSTANDING THE CHURCH

Prevention Training which consolidates a thorough child abuse education and prevention course into a two-day seminar. Your ministry staff will not only leave with a more comprehensive understanding of child abuse, they will be empowered with the tools to identify, prevent, and respond to abuse.



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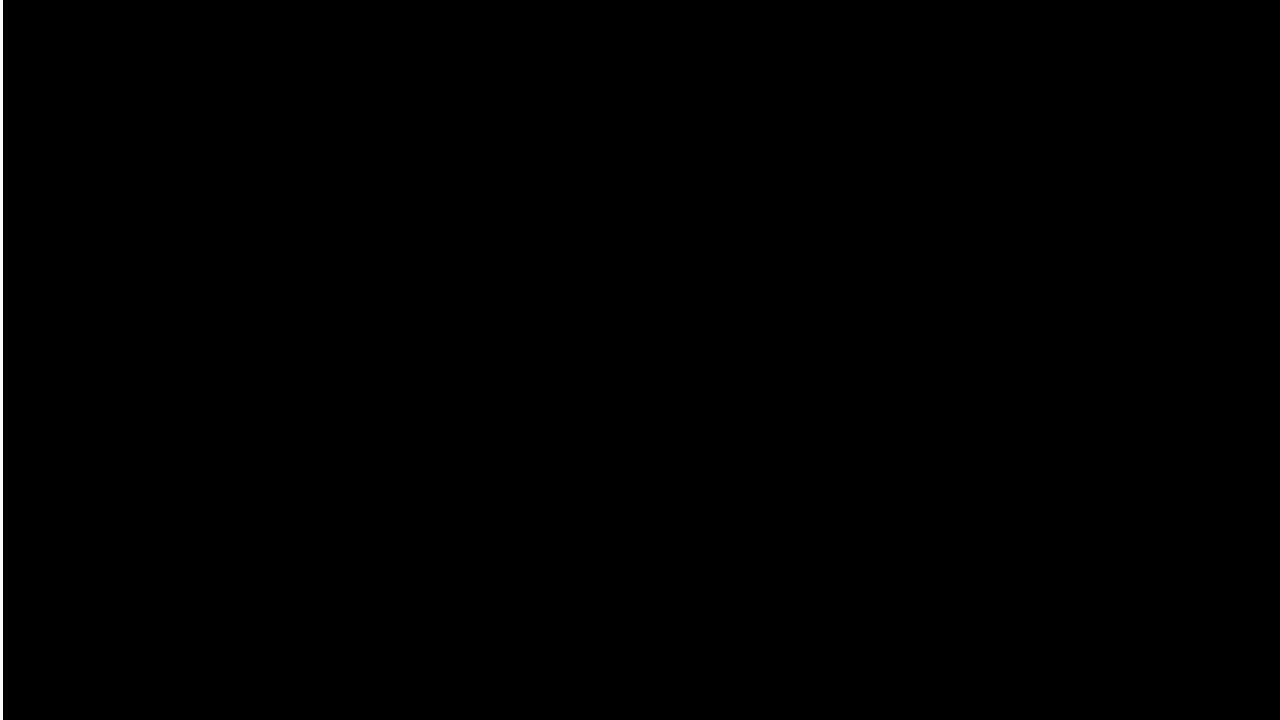


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WNC Freedom Coalition WNCFreedom.org

- Join for free to stay informed
- Resources for survivors in WNC
- Find WNC Faith-based partner organizations where your congregation can plug in and serve
- WNC Human Trafficking awareness and educational events



National Human Trafficking Hotline Call 1-888-3737-888 ← Confidential 24/7

Polaris Freedom happens now.

• The <u>National Human Trafficking Hotline</u> is a national, toll-free hotline, available to answer calls from anywhere in the United States, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in more than 200 languages. The Hotline's mission is to connect human trafficking victims and survivors to critical support and services to get help and stay safe, and to equip the anti-trafficking community with the tools to effectively combat all forms of human trafficking. The Hotline offers round-the-clock access to a safe space to report a tip, seek services, and ask for help, connection to local services and resources..



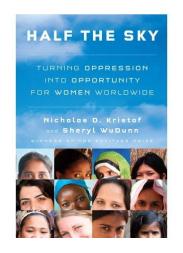


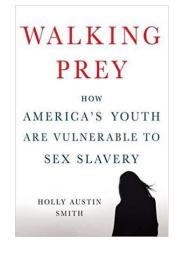
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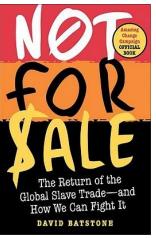
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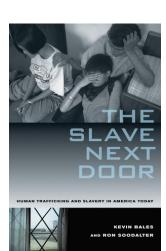


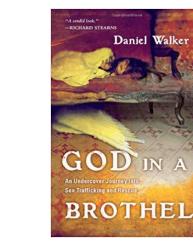
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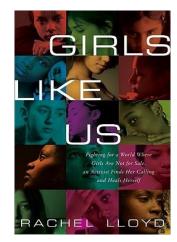




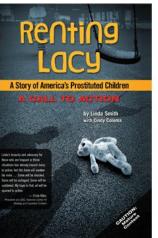














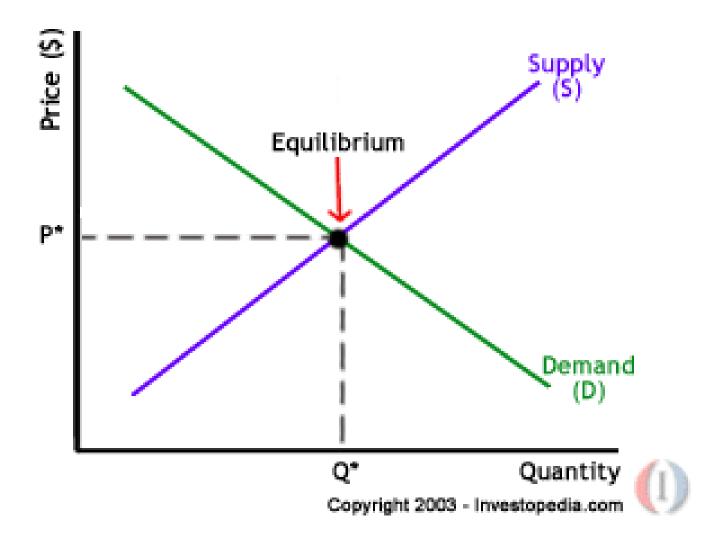


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Human Trafficking is a business





Addressing Demand

PORN AND DEMAND

The average age trafficking victims are forced into pornography production is 12 years old.

FIGHT THE NEW DRUG

What causes men to purchase sex?

Pornography
Drives Demand



Porn is a problem in the church

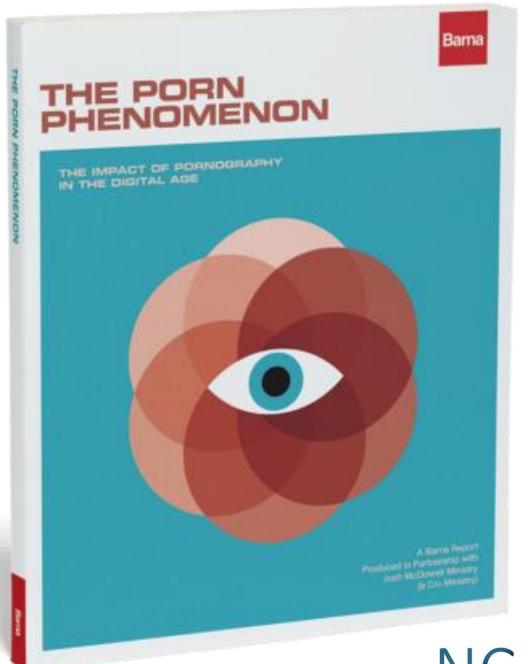
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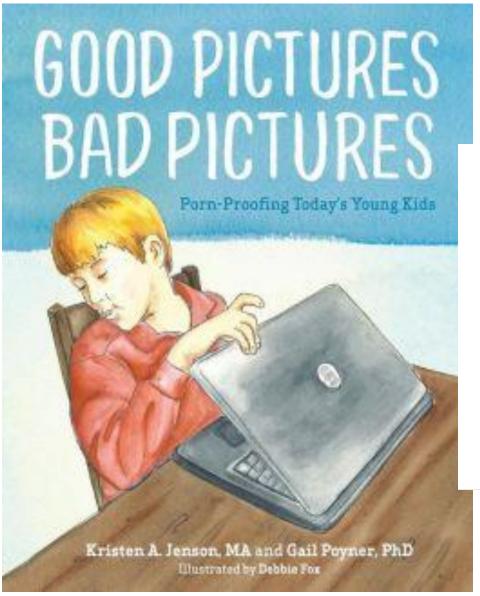
- 73% consider viewing porn wrong
- 39% are comfortable with how much they use
- 34% feel guilt when they use porn
- 34% who use porn currently trying to stop



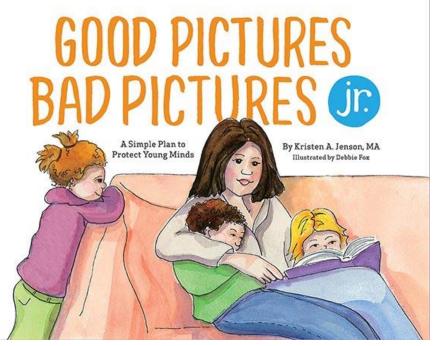




Resources for talking to kids about porn

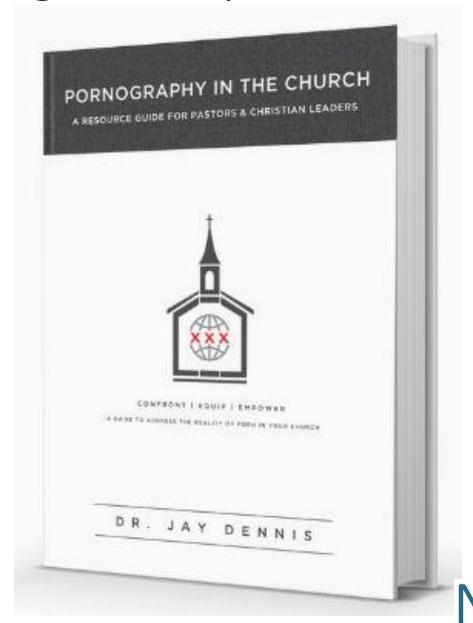


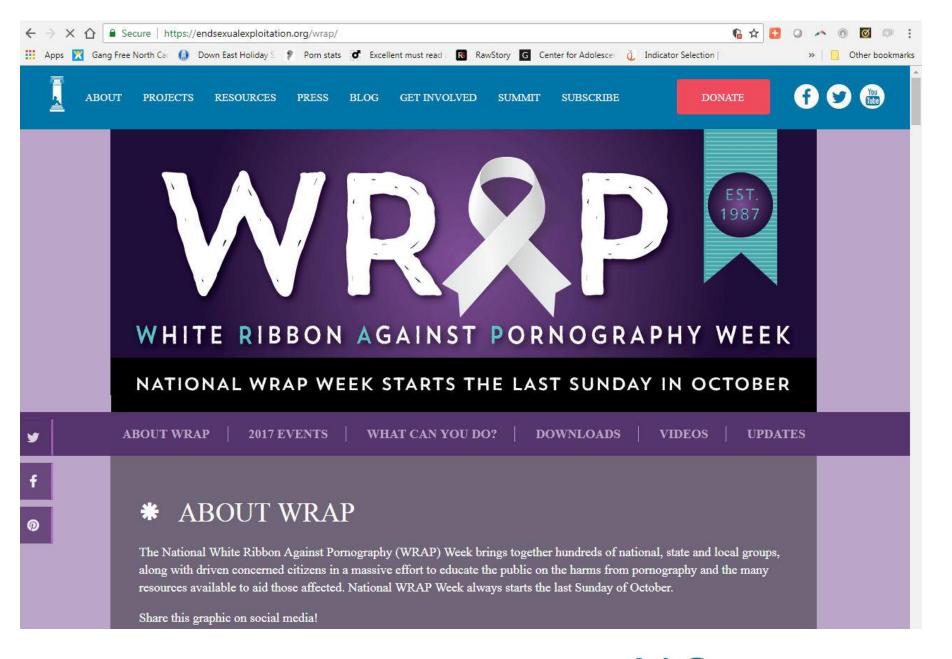
fightthenewdrug.org pornharms.org pornproofyourchild.com





Talking about porn in church







The Defenders

(A ministry of Shared Hope)

Become a Defender





THE DEFENDERS' PLEDGE

Today, I am making a commitment in my life to demonstrate the following before my family and friends:

- I am taking a stand to fight against pornography, prostitution or any form of the commercial sex industry.
- I will hold my friends accountable for their actions toward women and children.
- I will take immediate action to protect those I love from this destructive market.

Will you take the pledge? Click here.

TAKE THE PLEDGE



We need to address both

Sex trafficking and Labor Trafficking





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- Slave free
- Child labor free
- Exploitation free
- Workers paid a fair, living wage for their country







2 TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY















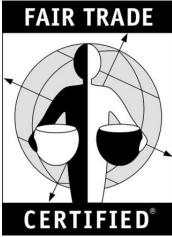
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Fair Trade Markets

- To raise awareness about Fair Trade Products and being a conscious consumer
- To raise funds for a foreign Mission Trip or other ministry





When to have one?

- Anytime!
- October
- Advent Season





OCTOBER IS FAIR TRADE MONTH



Advent Season Or other gift-giving holiday season













http://equalexchange.coop/





https://www.serrv.org





Screen a Documentary





As we close . . .



What to do if someone you know is a survivor

- Don't express surprise or horror
- Do say "I'm sorry that happened to you. How can I support you?"
- Don't ask questions about what happened.
- Do say "I am willing to listen if you want to talk about it."
- If the survivor is open to being directed to supportive resources . . .



http://www.rebeccabender.org/





Next Steps



Join NC Coalition Against Human Trafficking

- Next meeting is November 2 at 10am
- Main Meeting in Raleigh, but 4 other cities videoconference in (Greenville, Asheville, Greensboro, Charlotte)
- Contact us for more info, membership form





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