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HUMAN TRAFFICKING : PREVENTION THROUGH EDUCATION

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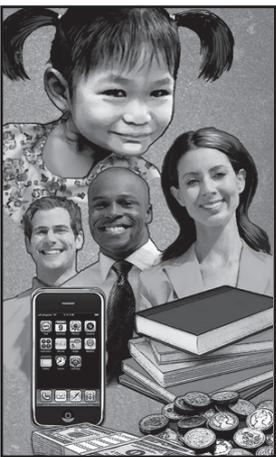
1 ← → WHAT IS THE VALUE OF HUMAN LIFE?



- These people represent people from all over the world. They dress differently, live differently and have different traditions.
- They ALL have value. (point to one of the women) "If this woman's father were dying, what would she do to save his life?" or "If this man's brother were in danger what would he risk to save him?"
- EACH of these people would give all they have to save a loved one's life, because all human life is priceless.

Another thing that we all have in common is that we all strive for the same things.

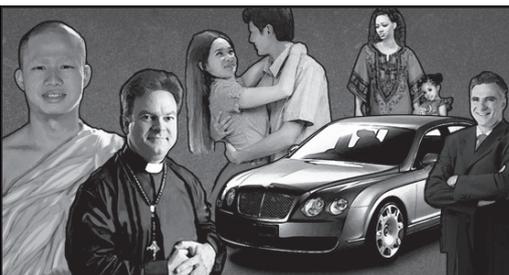
2 ← → WHAT DO WE ALL WANT OUT OF LIFE?



- Economic Improvement:
(point to the money) "Would you like to make more money? What would you do with it?" We might use it to buy things that we need or want, like clothes, a new phone, or to pay for an education
- Education:
(point to the books and the child) "Why is an education important?" We want our children to study hard so that they can have a better future, better job, and more money.
- Equality:
We work to gain a better education or more money because, regardless of who we are and where we live (point to the three people in the middle), we want to be looked up to as being equal and treated with respect.

These 3 "E's" are the primary entry points into exploitation.

3 ← → WHO ARE THE PEOPLE WE RESPECT?



- Religious Leaders
We HOPE that they MIGHT teach us how to have peace and a relationship with God.
- Husbands/Boyfriends
They express love for us by offering emotional and financial support.
- Family and Friends
Our mothers, aunts, and neighbors help to care for us when we are young
- Wealthy Business Men
They have attained the money, status, and respect that we desire for our lives.



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WHY ARE THESE CHILDREN LEAVING AND WHERE ARE THEY GOING?

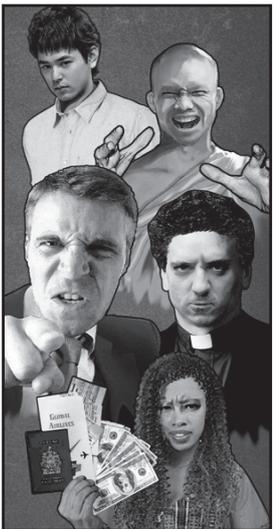


- The **WEALTHY BUSINESS MAN** has offered this family money and promised to take their child to another country to play sports or work for him. (Point to family waving goodbye) He promises to send money back to the family every month.
- The **RELIGIOUS LEADERS** have offered to take this family's child into the city to go to school. (Point to family embracing on upper right corner) They are sad to see their child leave, but happy for them to be taken care of and have a good education
- The **AUNTIE** has offered this girl a job working for a friend in a restaurant in the city. (Point to girl looking out of car window) She has promised her that she will make a lot of money and the job will be fun.
- All of these people have made the choice to send their child away or have chosen to go away because they were promised something good by someone they trusted. (Point to the child taken by force) But this child was taken by force and no one knows where he/she went.

These families **BELIEVE** they are making the right choice. They think that wherever their children are going must be better than their home. They may even believe that they don't have any other choice.

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WHAT IS THE TRUTH ABOUT DECEPTION?



- Husbands and boyfriends work together with the ones they love to make a safe home, they do **NOT** hurt their wives and girlfriends. These are good men. If a man forces his wife or girlfriend to have sex with other men for drugs or money, he is not safe.
- Religious leaders from many traditions may come to your home. They may live among you, speak your language, they may want to teach you how to have peace with God. These are good men.
Sometimes men come dressed like religious leaders but they do not know God. If a religious leader wants to give you money and take your child away from home he is not safe.
- Wealthy business men may come to where you live and build schools, or give medicines. They may help your home have clean water. These are good men.
If a wealthy man wants to give you money and take your child away from home, he is not safe.
- Neighbors, aunts or mothers help their daughters get an education and good jobs. These are good women. If a woman, even someone you know, wants to arrange for a job or education in another country. If she pays for the travel and wants to keep your identification documents, she is not safe.



6↑ WHERE ARE THE CHILDREN NOW?



- The people that we should be able to trust have deceived us. The families believed a lie. Now their children are forced to work for dangerous men. **(point to hands chained, bottom right)** They are now trapped and there is no way they can escape.
- **(point to children, middle right and middle left)** Many children will be forced to labor in fields or on fishing boats. They will work from sun up until late into the night; they will not have enough food, water or sleep. They will be beaten and even killed if they rest or play.
- **(point to the unmade bed and the child in the floor)** Many children will be forced to work at night. Men will pay to abuse them, to have sex with them. The children will be raped many times each night.
- **(point to girl at top)** Eventually the girl will be broken. She is kept locked in a tiny room and given drugs so she can't fight. She will come to believe that the only way she can be safe is to be beautiful and pretend to enjoy the men she is given to. She doesn't know that all life is valuable, that she is valuable.

If someone does not help these children, they will DIE of abuse, exhaustion or disease.

7 THERE IS HOPE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.



- **(point to family at the upper left corner)** Hold tightly to your family. Do NOT send them away to school or work with ANYONE who offers you money. Do NOT send them away with ANYONE who will pay for their travel. Do NOT give your, or your child's identification papers to ANYONE.
- **(point to woman with a phone)** If you see or hear of people being taken out of their homes and forced to work in dangerous places, YOU MUST SPEAK OUT. They are valuable, they deserve our protection. If they are taken you must call this number. The authorities can go find them and set them free.
- If you are ever trapped in a dangerous situation then look for landmarks near where you are held;

Call this phone number:

as soon as possible to ask for help. The people who answer this # will come for you, you will not be in trouble.

- **(point to open shackles)** If a child is rescued or able to escape, many times the family will not welcome them back. The family feels ashamed, their child has been used; the child may be very sick and now is unwanted.
- **(point to open door)** Through an open door the child and family can find freedom and healing. If there is an open door for the child to return home then they can begin to heal from the many ways that they were hurt.
- Although they were broken and wounded, their heart that was once shattered can find healing and wholeness again.



Statistics

- A child is trafficked every 30 seconds. (UNICEF)
- The average age of entry into commercial sex slavery in the United States is 13 years old. (United States Department of Justice)
- Human Trafficking occurs in 161 out of 192 countries. (United Nations)
- Up to 96% of women in prostitution want to escape but feel they can't. (United Labor Organization)
- Human Trafficking is a 32 billion dollar per year industry. (United Nations)
- In some countries it is estimated that 70% of men purchase sex. (Victor Malarek; The Johns)
- Over 27 million people are enslaved around the world. This is more than double the number of Africans enslaved during the Trans-Atlantic slave trade. (Kevin Bales; Free the Slaves)

Best Practices

As an organization and/or individuals representing the organization:

- We will never show pictures of the faces of minor children that have been exploited/rescued
- We will never share stories that identify the survivors by their real name and/or location
- We will never share stories of survivors in ANY form of media without express permission of the survivor and/or their guardian
- We will report honestly with neither exaggeration nor minimization
- We will clear ALL photos and stories from the field pertaining to victims and survivors of exploitation through the team leader before they can be published in any form, including but not limited to: newsletters, blogs, Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- When becoming aware of a victim of trafficking while on the field we will take down in writing all the information we can gather (i.e. name, age, description and location of the victim). This information will be handed over to the team leader so that safe and appropriate intervention can take place.

Action Steps

- **AWARENESS**
William Wilberforce said, "You may choose to look the other way but you can never again say you did not know." Now that you have been educated, you must aggressively fight for freedom by raising awareness among your own circle of influence. Share what you have learned with at least 10 people you know and 10 that you don't know.
- **GIVING**
Money is the driving force behind the human trafficking epidemic and it is required to battle against it. Get involved with organizations that are fighting human trafficking by committing to give financially to support their work.
- **PRAYER**
Jesus came to set the captives free. It is only through prayer that we can join Him in accomplishing His purposes and begin to defeat the devastation of modern-day slavery.

*Action Steps are adapted from *Nefarious: The Merchant of Souls*, Exodus Cry Ministries (www.exoduscry.com)

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