



**Title:** God's Children are Not for Sale

**Text:** *"Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and the needy." (Proverbs 31:8-9)*

**Target:** *"You may choose to look the other way, but you can never say again you did not know."*  
- William Wilberforce-Freedom Fighter, 18th century

**I. The \_\_\_\_\_ in Trafficking:** (A21.org)

**A. Definition:** It's the illegal trade of human beings.

**B. Description:** It's the recruitment, control, and use of people for their bodies and their labor.

**II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Trafficking:** (through force, fraud, coercion, exploitation by friends & family)

**A. Forced Labor:** to demand another individual to provide a service rendered: Ex: Agricultural, Mining, Industrial industries, domestic servitude, sweatshops, or even street begging or vendors.

**B. Sex Trafficking:** to demand another individual provide sexual activity: Ex: massage parlors, brothels, prostitution, and pornography.

**III. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Trafficking:**

**A. Who:** 71% women. 29% men. 25% children.

**B. When:** Vulnerability: Due to Instability-financially, educationally, culturally, socially.

**C. What:** Exploitation: deception & coercion to believe that what is being offered will fix their problem. Ex. Promises of employment, education, etc.

**D. Where: Social Media:** Facebook 43%, Snapchat 17%, Instagram 15%, **Gaming**

**E. How:** Abduction, Grooming or Setting the Hook, Fraud (payback in services), Coercion (threatening violence to family), blackmail (Sextortion)

**IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ in Trafficking:** 40.3 million people enslaved right now—more than anytime time in history.

**A. The Profit:** 150.2 billion per year. (2/3 from Sexual Exploitation)

**B. The Percentages:** 60-90% of all sex trafficked victims have had a past history with the foster care system. One out of 4 Victims are children. One out of 3 teens on the streets will be lured into sexual exploitation within 48 hours.

**C. The Places:** 5.4 out of 1000 people are enslaved in the world.

1. **Leading Countries:** Asia, Africa, Europe, U.S. Arab States

2. **United States** (200k cases yearly): California-San Diego, Texas, Florida, Nevada, New York.

3. **Texas:** 1/3 of calls received by the National Human Trafficking Hotline are from Texas.

4. **San Antonio:** Of the 66 zip codes in San Antonio, 46 zip codes have records of child sex trafficking.

**V. The \_\_\_\_\_ against Trafficking:** *"Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. And all the people shall say, "Amen." (Deut. 27:19)*

**A. Why Does Trafficking Exist?** *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?" (Jeremiah 17:9)*

**B. Why does the Bible not condemn Slavery?** *"Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death." (Exodus 21:16)*

**C. Why Doesn't God Stop Trafficking?** Free will, Greater Evil Vs. Lesser Evil

**VI. The \_\_\_\_\_ to END Trafficking:** Micah 6:8: *"do justly, love mercy"*

**A. Prevention:** Education & Awareness of How Trafficking Happens: Luring, Grooming, Isolation, Manipulation, Exploitation.

\*August 16th, 6:30-7:30 pm Ransomed Life Presentation.

**B. Protection:** See & Receive the Vulnerable Ex. Foster/Adoption

**C. Political Pressure & Prosecution:** Unify Statewide Human Trafficking Laws with the maximum penalty.

**D. Partnership:** Life Restored, Ransomed Life, Arms of Hope, STAFO.

**Takeaway:** You hope to do for one what you hope to do for all.

# TRENDING

REWATCH SEASON 1 & 2 ON YOUTUBE

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## CHURCH FAMILY,

If you give financially through CBC, we are so grateful. Your gifts allow us to champion every person to be the good news of Jesus in every place. We want you to know that this week, you're going to get an email to update your giving information because we are moving to a new database that better helps us communicate to you. This update will also provide a better and more efficient experience.

Wanted you to be on the look out for it and inform you that the email was legitimate and necessary.

*PASTOR Ed*

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## TRAFFICKING AWARENESS & PREVENTION

As part of our first "Trending" sermon series topic, we're striving to shine a light on the dark reality of human trafficking and exploitation not only around the world but, unfortunately, in our own community.

Visit our four partners featured in the lobby this weekend addressing issues surrounding this topic - **For Her, Life Restored, Ransomed Life Texas, and South Texas Alliance for Orphans.** Our hope is to share realistic statistics, create awareness, and offer ways you can get involved in prevention to protect children, women, and men in our city.

**On Wednesday, August 16, join us in the Main Worship Center at 6:00 pm** to learn how to identify red flags and have safe and preventative conversations with your children and others. Heavy hors d'ouvres will be served. Childcare provided with registration. **Scan the QR Code to register.**

**Ransomed Life:** [ransomedlifetexas.org](http://ransomedlifetexas.org)

**For Her:** [iamforher.org](http://iamforher.org)

**Life Restored:** [liferestoredsa.org](http://liferestoredsa.org)

**South Texas Alliance for Orphans:** [alliance4orphans.org](http://alliance4orphans.org)



## CBC EVENTS THIS WEEK:

**August 14th, Monday, 5:45pm:** Welcome Home Membership Night! Please Register with the link below.

**August 17th, Thursday, 7 - 9pm:** College +

**August 18th, Friday, 6:30pm:** Celebrate Recovery & The Landing Recovery Community for adults and students.

For more information & to register, visit [communitybible.com/events](http://communitybible.com/events)

## NEW BELIEVERS & FIRST TIME GUEST:

If you have accepted Jesus as your Savior, we'd like to celebrate with you! Text 'CHRIST' to 210-762-4747. If you are visiting for the first time, we want to welcome you! Stop by any yellow Connects kiosks for a free gift or text 'GUEST' to 210-762-4747 so we can reach out to you at a later time.

## NEEDING PRAYER?

We have a pastoral team at our CBC Cares area in the lobby ready to pray with you, or you can scan this QR code to fill out a prayer request form.



If you would like to give through the church, text 'GIVE' to 210-934-8877