

HUMAN TRAFFICKING



4 WAYS YOU CAN BE
A FREEDOM
FIGHTER

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There are
MORE
people enslaved
today than there
were at the height
of the trans-Atlantic
slave trade.

40.3
MILLION

men,
women
and children

**BRUTALIZED
AND DEVALUED**

THE SITUATION

While most of the focus on the news tends to veer towards women and girls, it is important to remember that **men and boys are also exploited** in this industry, too. In fact, according to many recent studies, males make up nearly half of trafficking victims.

The difference lies in how men and women are exploited. More men are affected by labor trafficking, while more women are trapped in sex trafficking—**both are abusive of bodies and corrosive of souls**. The men and women who survive these experiences are severely, permanently impacted by the prolonged trauma that they have endured.

Young girls do not dream of growing up to be abused and discarded every day. Young boys do not dream of living their lives as indentured men without independence.

TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES

made them feel that this path was their only way forward, or they were manipulated and coerced by abusers.

HOW TO HELP

1 **Pray** for the end of human trafficking and for those currently trapped in it. The greatest weapon we have in the fight against slavery is our prayers. Download and use the [human trafficking prayer guide](#) in your own quiet time and with your small group or bible study.

2 **Get educated!** This may come as a surprise since fundraising is so vital to supporting safe homes for survivors, but the **best way to be active about fighting trafficking is by learning** about the issue so that you can share the signs and dangers with others. **What better way to combat an industry conducted in the shadows than to bring it into the light?**

So do your research! There are many resources available to you online, including [Send Relief's Human Trafficking page](#). Download the [Fight Human Trafficking by Educating Families ministry guide](#) to learn how to educate families in your church and community.

3 **[Pack backpacks for human trafficking survivors!](#)** Volunteering your money and time to ensure the wellbeing of survivors after they have been rescued is an amazing way to make a difference.

4 **[Become a regular supporter of Send Relief's anti-trafficking efforts!](#)** You can provide safe homes, nutritious meals, education opportunities, medical treatment and job training for survivors in need of a fresh start at life.

Your time, prayers, and gifts make such a difference, and **when it comes to slavery, there's no time to waste.**



IMITATING JESUS

Luke 4:18 says, “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free.”

Advocating for prisoners’ freedom. Fighting for the oppressed. **That is how we know that the Spirit is in and with us.** Isaiah 1:17 instructs that we are to “learn to do good; seek justice, [and] correct oppression”—**seeking justice for these men and women cannot be done in isolation.** They need you to learn about who and what is keeping them enslaved. They need you to support the safe houses that are offering refuge. They need you to pray for immediate and permanent change.

**WILL YOU BE A
FREEDOM
FIGHTER?**

PSALM 82:3 SAYS,

**“Defend the cause
of the weak and
fatherless; maintain
the rights of the poor
and oppressed.”**





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