



Session 7: From Awareness to Action

Goals

- Address the kind of organization and resources that are needed to tackle the problem of sex trafficking
- Introduce the Church as the best solution to the problem
- To move from learning to action – to use the community mapping assignments and the information you have learned to get involved and to take action

Materials for the Session

- Training Video: Session 7
- [Session 7 Handout](#)
- [Session 7 Homework](#)
- [Community Mapping Assignment: Session 7](#)
- [Volunteer Resources Database](#) (not yet filled out)

Leader Preparation

- Bring the [Volunteer Resources Database](#) to fill out at the session
- Ensure that video is loaded and ready
- Print out homework for group members to take home

Session Step-By-Step

1. Open in prayer
2. Discuss what you learned last week from [Homework: Session 6](#)
 - Do you recognize your own sinfulness enough to have compassion on others?
 - What stands in your way from believing that God’s heart is for the victimizer as well as for the victim?
 - Do you have faith that God is powerful enough to transform a pimp or a trafficker?
3. Discuss the group’s findings from Steps B1 and C1 of the [Community Mapping Assignment: Session 6](#), as well as any other steps completed from Session 6
4. Pass out the [Session 7 Handout](#) and ask people to follow along during the video.
5. Watch the Training Video: Session 7
6. Discuss. The following are sample questions, but feel free to use your own
 - Why is the Church the best answer to the problem of trafficking? What are some of the barriers that the Church can overcome that can’t be overcome by law enforcement, legal strategies, or other organizations?
 - What has God been putting on your heart for joining the fight to end human trafficking?
 - How much time are you willing and able to give?
 - Where are you going to get involved? What are the next action steps that you must take to get involved?

7. Discuss the [Community Mapping Assignment: Session 7](#)
 - Take time as a group to discuss where God has placed each of you right now and the resources and skills you each have to make a difference.
 - Record the resources, abilities, and skills within the group, making reference to the list of commonly requested needs of organizations and the list of needs you have already gathered through the other Community Mapping Assignments.
 - Nominate one leader, this may be the group leader or a new leader, who will maintain the list and be a primary contact for organizations in your area working in the different areas of sex trafficking prevention. **IMPORTANT NOTE: This leader is NOT responsible for signing members of the group up to volunteer or serve at different organizations. Each group member is responsible for taking action themselves. This list should be given as a resource to the anti-trafficking network or coalition in your area or can be a starting place for creating your own network or coalition (See Guide to Starting a Successful Coalition/Network).**
8. Tell people about the additional resources available online (see list below)
9. Pass out the [homework](#)
10. Discuss any plans for the group moving forward
11. Close in prayer

Additional Resources

- ["The Missing Ingredient for Miracles"](#)
 - Sermon by Clayton Butler on Mark 5:1-20 about the demon-possessed man and God's ability to work miracles in the most difficult of situations.
- [The Starfish and the Spider: The Unstoppable Power of Leaderless Organizations](#)
 - Book that contrasts traditional organizations with rigid hierarchies and revolutionary organizations that rely on peer relationships. Elaborates on principles discussed that say the Church is particularly well suited for fighting human trafficking.
- [The Pink Room](#)
 - Documentary film that follows the story of Mien, a young woman exploited by traffickers but who finds hope and restoration through the work of ordinary Christians
 - [Purchase the DVD](#)
- [Church Abolition History](#)
 - Brief article on the history of Christian's involvement with fighting slavery
- [Scripture on Why the Church is Called to Fight Human Trafficking](#)
 - List of scriptures on God's heart for justice, those we are called to serve, and the example of Jesus as the first freedom fighter
- [Quiet Talks on Prayer](#), by S.D. Gordon
 - We've included this resource because it is a book that had a major impact on Clayton Butler's life. Gordon talks about how the highest level prayer is being a living, breathing answer to the prayers of others.