Be That Hero

Anyone anywhere today can be a victim of Human Trafficking. Do what you can:

**ONE**
Learn about the slavery problem so you can protect yourself. Then teach your friends and family so they are protected, too.

**TWO**
If you think someone you know may be abused or exploited, or something bad is about to happen to them, tell a responsible adult right away.

**THREE**
If you know someone who is being bullied, be kind to them. Become their friend. You don’t know what they have suffered through; it could be worse than you imagine.

**FOUR**
Pray for human trafficking victims so they return home soon.

**FIVE**
Bring in a speaker to talk to your classroom, school, church, or group about human trafficking and how you can help stop it NOW!

As confirmed during its 2015 General Convention, The Episcopal Church is committed to the prevention and protection of victims of human trafficking and urges members to support legislation, and engage in all actions possible, to promote the rescue and recovery of victims of human trafficking.

Please become involved. Together we CAN bring the victims home. Contact:

The National Human Trafficking Hotline 888-373-7888

For further information, please visit our website: www.ndepiscopal.org

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Three Forms of Human Trafficking

For Labor: Over 30,000,000 people, including very young children, are trafficked for forced labor in today’s world.

For Sex: People will pay for all types of sexual services, including prostitution and pornography. Since there’s money to be made, there are Human Traffickers who will force or trick vulnerable children and women into selling themselves.

In America alone, there are nearly 3,000,000 adults and 100,000 children who are forced to work as prostitutes. The average age when a girl enters prostitution is 13.

For Body Parts: Black market adoptions and illegal organ harvesting are also human trafficking.

In Labor and Sex Slavery, the work is dirty and dangerous. The victims make little to no pay and their “owners” keep almost all the money.

“Why would someone want this lifestyle?” you ask.

The answer is, they don’t.

The victims cannot escape or stop working. If they do, they are badly beaten or killed.