

Hot Topics

LEADER GUIDE

human trafficking

Note to the Leader: *The websites included in the Additional Resources section at the end of this Hot Topic will provide you with more detailed information on human trafficking you can use as you facilitate this discussion. Included in the sites provided are ways traffickers lure people into what ends up being prostitution, facts about the trafficking industry, as well as tips for being safe and reporting incidences. This additional information will allow you to customize this Hot Topic and be able to discuss the issue of human trafficking on a level that is appropriate for the girls you lead.*

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According to U.S. government estimates, thousands of men, women, and children are trafficked to the United States for the purposes of sexual and labor exploitation. An unknown number of U.S. citizens and legal residents are trafficked within the country primarily for sexual servitude and, to a lesser extent, forced labor. Excerpt from the Assemblies of God U.S. Missions Human Trafficking website:

http://usmissions.ag.org/resources/human_trafficking.cfm

Have a girl read Zechariah 7:10

How does this verse relate to human trafficking?

How could the different groups of people mentioned in this verse be susceptible to human trafficking today?

What would drive someone to oppress another person?

Have a girl read Luke 4:18-19

Why should Christians take a stand against human trafficking?

How does this verse show the importance of meeting the physical needs as well as the spiritual needs of a person?

Have a girl read the Preamble to the Constitution

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, ensure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Based on what the constitution of the United States of America says, what is our country's position on human trafficking?

Break apart the preamble – what do each of the action statements mean?

Establish justice

Ensure domestic tranquility

Provide for the common defense

Promote general welfare

Secure the blessings of liberty

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Have a girl read Hebrews 13:3

Take a minute to think about how you would feel if you were taken away from your family and held captive against your will (maybe even in a different state or country). Imagine if you were being threatened or hurt in order to get you to do what they want.

How can we remember those who are imprisoned and being mistreated?

What role can you play in the fight against human trafficking?

How can social sites and the Internet be used to lure you into human trafficking?

What steps can you take to protect yourself from people who are evil?

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Ways Youth Are Recruited into Prostitution:

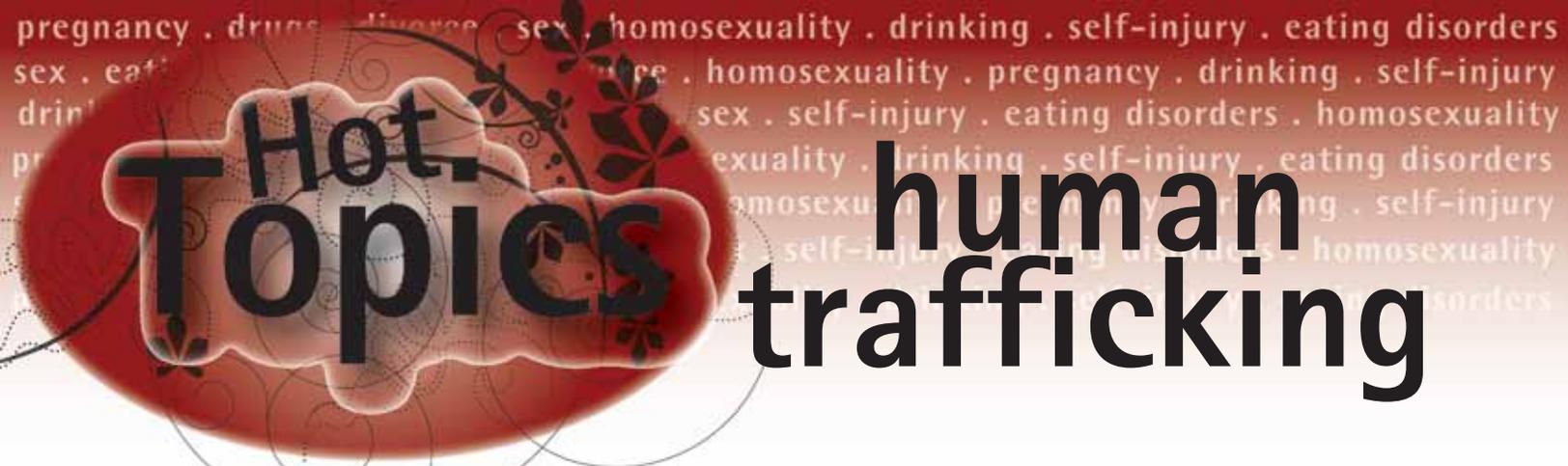
http://www.adultssavingkids.org/ways_youth_recruited.html

U.S. Health and Human Services: Human Trafficking Fact Sheet:

http://www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking/about/fact_human.html

WebWiseKids: equipping young people to safely use and enjoy the latest technologies.

<http://www.webwisekids.org/>



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