

Reclaim13's mission is to end the cycle of sexual exploitation. Most trafficked children were sexually abused or neglected or received other forms of maltreatment as children. Reclaim13 intervenes in this cycle and works toward a world where all children can grow up feeling safe and loved.

Reclaim13 works in three areas to help end the cycle of exploitation: Prevention, Healing and Community Engagement. They help survivors of child sexual abuse and sex trafficking find healing at their safe house for minors, their young adult transitional home and in their community mentor program. In all of these programs, Reclaim13 focuses on trauma-informed therapeutic care for holistic healing, so girls with highly traumatized histories can heal and move into productive futures.

Read: <u>Psalm 82:2-4</u> Isaiah 58:6-7 Watch: https://vimeo.com/315765813

Reflect and Discuss:

"In the beginning, nobody sees the ugly right away. It's movies, it's date nights. It's much easier to enslave a person if you use gentle tactics." How are the tactics sex traffickers use to ensnare their victims similar to the deceptive tactics Satan uses — both in Scripture and in our own lives?

What do the Scripture verses in today's reading tell you about God's heart for the oppressed? What is the role of Godly people in a world where trafficking continues? How can you take action against the horrors of human trafficking right here in the suburbs?

Lifting Women and Children

Jesus said that children are to be valued, protected and nurtured. What's more, he often made radically countercultural moves to elevate and honor women.

As a result, Christ Church funds partners who work to protect women and children from abuse; ensure that they are adequately fed, clothed and cared for; and provide them with the spiritual and academic nurture that increases their health and hope and draws them closer to God.

Pray:

•That all victims of sex trafficking would be rescued and the victimizers brought to justice.

•That God would protect Reclaim13 and help rescued women and girls to thrive.

•That those Reclaim13 serves would come to know and accept Jesus.

