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Week 14: Rescue LIFE

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In the studio

JAMES: I need—what do you to tell people that okay, I'm 80 years old; 62 years preaching, 61 years married to the most beautiful gift God can ever give a man. And our children and grandchildren are beautiful gifts to us.

Please listen to me. You're family to me. I've said many times I'd like to have the family in the family room and inspire the whole family of God to get God's arms around the world he gave his Son to redeem. But now listen to me. We're going to be talking about some of the most precious, desperate, abused, hurt people on this planet. Never in history have there been people damaged any more than precious children. So tragically it can be corrected with love.

But now listen to me. I need you to know that the same mess these trafficked girls are in, sexual trafficking, Betty, the most horrible, imaginable things happening to children. And we can set them free from it. Love can set them free. But what I need you to know, Betty, we need our viewers to know it, we're going to fight for girls and boys that are trafficked. And because you do care—and do you know why you care? Because we're doing kingdom work. We're doing God's kingdom work and God's kingdom will on God's planet for his glory. And everybody that has the mind of Christ, and a heart to care says we've got to help them. That's kingdom impact. I'm going to be talking to you a whole lot about kingdom impact.

But now listen to me. I'm pleading with you to get this book that was written to keep you from being trafficked and trampled and brought into bondage and losing everything precious, and

freedom. Betty, have you prayed, in many ways, to the point where I'm at in my life right now?

BETTY: Absolutely! Absolutely. We want God's best. We want God's best for you. And what James is going to be sharing with you in the days to come is for you to get deep down in your heart what God's purpose is for the rest of your life. It is very, very important.

JAMES: I want you to see—I want you to see a letter that you've already gotten or will get. Please, I don't have many people scold us for writing because this is where I show you a kingdom impact where people's lives are being changed, and where the overlooked are not being overlooked by God or you, or us, or the people with a heart to save and help people, missionaries.

But I want you to read carefully this letter. I'm going to read part of it to you. But we're going to try right now to set some trafficked children free, and we've been doing it by the thousands for years effectively, and give them a whole new life. Trying to do the same thing for you with the truth that's in this book that Jay Richards and I joined to write; 12 years together, seeking to get God's arms around you so we, as his family get his arms around the world. So get the book. Get every friend you've got to get it.

But I want you to look in right now. And then I'm going to read you just a part of this letter. Don't turn away. When I tell you somebody's life and future depends upon it, in many ways our future depends on how much we care about those who are suffering and who are hurt. Watch. Watch prayerfully.

On the mission field

Open captions

>> The old lady, she fix the small girl to have sex with the foreigner. They pay a lot of money for the virgin.

ANNOUNCER: Human traffickers target innocent children but then become enslaved in a

multi-billion-a-year industry called, "The Sex Slave Trade."

RANDY: A human trafficker came through here many months ago and promised this young lady's sister a better life, luring her away. They haven't heard from her. She's gone.

CAROL: We're fighting for children that can't fight for themselves. Children who would otherwise be used in the sex trade or bought and sold like animals for monetary gain. It's not right!

LISA: It's kids just like these that right now they're begging but they are also bait for predators. If we don't get them off the street, they will be the next trafficked victims.

ANNOUNCER: When these children become enslaved, if they comply horrible things are done to them by the human traffickers.

Open Captions

>> When I was a child, I saw a lot of things in front of my eyes. There are cages somewhere. They are keeping a child as an animal. Just tie the hand, both hands like that, and the customer will have sex with the child.

CAROL: It is tragic what is happening to children, innocent children. And it is not right! Our hearts are burdened by all the children that are crying out for help today, this moment, that need intervention, that need help, and that are waiting for someone to hear their cries. And we can only do it with your help.

End of video

In the studio

JAMES: I can't tell you what seeing those children, Betty, and knowing that we've got a lot of children coming across our border right now that are going to be put there. And we've got a lot of traffickers coming across. And we've opened the door to hell. We've got to start closing these

doors.

But what about these girls, Betty? Do you realize that they're being trafficked, oftentimes, because of men that have watched so much pornography that they have to go for something perverse? They've got their minds so twisted. What goes on in your heart when you look, and you've been there, you've been in the midst of it for years, in all areas of it, what goes on?

BETTY: Like you said, we've been doing this for years. What a blessing it has been to reach out to these precious little ones, the innocent ones that the enemy and the evil have so taken hold of their lives. They've taken their choice of freedom away, to live a normal life.

James, this breaks my heart, still. It is not something you get used to. I have two daughters. We have granddaughters. I can't even imagine how my heart would be broken if they'd been stolen away like this and were just so mistreated and abused. I know you must feel the same way.

JAMES: Well, there is no question you do because we've had a tremendous matching gift offered to us right now to match what you give. If you will help right now, what you give will be doubled. I have sent this letter. I want to read something. This is, you may have gotten it, or you will get it, but it is asking for help for these precious, precious ones that are trapped. The mission workers took our team to where the prisoners were in a dark, dirty, five-by-seven room, with a bed and floor and a single light hanging on the ceiling. This is where they eat, sleep, and conduct business for sex with strangers.

Tragically, this is where these women who have been trapped spend the rest of their lives. Imagine leaving and being told that you'll be taken where you can get training for a job and you are sold sometimes by a relative. And they take you into this sexual slavery.

Listen to what a girl said. We'll call her Shawn and just refer to her. She said her uncle brought her and sold her into the slave trade. Instead of being taken to where she'd get a job, she was kept in a cage and had men sent inside to have sex with her while other men guarded the door.

Sometimes because of her young age, she had to hide with other girls even younger than herself

in the attic to avoid the authorities. And then, as soon as the police left, they were ordered to crawl out and then become on display again to be sexually abused.

Here's the thing I want you to understand. We as the members of the body of Christ, as caring people, who understand the importance of faith, family, and freedom, I'm asking you right now to love perfectly. We have a matching gift because people say, "We want to help you do that." Everything you do, \$128 will rescue one. That's \$128 for the year. Now think about what I'm saying. Think of what I'm saying. \$128 will rescue one. Now if you make that gift, you're going to rescue two. And I always ask you, multiply what you can do. \$1280 will rescue ten—no, now it is 20.

Is there any way, could you even make a gift that sounds beyond imagination to some people but to these girls it's life? It's opened prison doors. Do you know what we do? We rescue many of them before the predators get them and we start training them because we love them. We get the ones that we get free and we begin to train them in one of the Life Centers. And then we teach them how to make a living. And many of them are leaders now in their own nations and their own communities. Some of them are being elected to office. Some of them are teachers and professors who saved their lives out of trafficking.

Would you right now, would you go get your bank card and make it a Life card? And would you rescue one, now two? Ten now 20? Would you make the greatest gift that can be made, a gift of love to set these precious, precious ones free? Please do it.

We're going to send you the book *Fight the Good Fight*. This is for you but would you do something for these that have been trafficked? Would you help set them free? Get your bank card and use it like a check. Make the very best gift you can knowing it's going to be doubled.

On the mission field

Announcer: This is a prison. Not a real prison run by a government and police officers, but it is a prison nonetheless. Room after room contains not much more than a bed. Depraved visitors to these types of

prisons pour millions of dollars into human trafficking worldwide. The prisoners are scared young girls held captive by violent slave traders but the prisoners that live here did nothing wrong. They have broken no laws. The girl in cell 4D is innocent.

Open Captions

I have no control over my own body. I don't want to do the things they make me do. I feel trapped here like I'm in bondage. Even my heart feels like it is in bondage. My life is over. I have no more hope. When my life gets really bad, I cry out, "If there is a god, please save me."

Jesus was sent to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, and that the oppressed will be set free.

ANNOUNCER: Jesus told us that the captives will be released, and the oppressed will be set free. The mission of Rescue LIFE is to be the hands and feet of Jesus. So together we can rescue enslaved girls around the world.

End of clip

In the studio

JAMES: I want you to go back to that girl saying she has no hope. Honey, I wish I could take your face and tell you Jesus is all our hope. And Jesus is in the people who are reaching out to you right now to set you free. And Jesus is in my heart and in my wife's heart. That's why we've come and gone all over the areas where you were trapped and taken. And we built beautiful, beautiful homes for the trafficked to learn and grow and have a whole new life.

But you see, the way that we're able to do that is because you look and you see a broken heart, a broken life, and you know the healer is Jesus. But we're his hands. We're the ones that enable the water of life to flow freely, and the love of God to be expressed freely, and for God, through his people to lift people out of any pit, out of any prison to set them free.

Would you go right now and say, I can rescue one? \$128 will rescue one of those children, one

of those ladies, one of those girls. And it will be doubled, it will rescue two. I always say, could you rescue ten? Could you give \$1280? But now it will be 20—20 set free. Whatever you can do.

God, I'm so sorry men can be so trapped by their own appetites that they can do these vile things, and that people will sell these precious ones. God, break the curse on them, break the grip on them, set them all free. God use us to set as many of those who are trafficked free as possible.

What can you do? We are the answer to their heart cries. We, as a child of God the king, doing kingdom work, making a kingdom impact to open prison doors, to give life and hope to those who think it is hopeless. Would you right now go get your checkbook, and make the biggest check you can? Get your bank card and use it like a check. Go get it. I pray you'll go and say, God, I want to make the greatest gift I've ever made because I'm giving the gift of freedom and the gift of life—and get excited about it. And then dial that number where people call for prayer.

But you call to say, I want to be the answer to somebody's prayer. Or you go online and make a gift. Please! Truly you hear the cry. Truly you see the need. And there is an answer. You're the miracle. You're the hope. You provide the only hope. Please do it now. Don't wait. And be sure and request *Fight the Good Fight* because it is the only fight that sets us free all over the world. Please, put God's arms around these desperate, desperate needy ones. Please do it.

Begin video clip

ANNOUNCER: *Innocent children and young people longing to be loved and cared for are being abducted and sold at the hands of violent predators, forced into the evil industry of human trafficking.*

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Please call, write, or make your gift online.

End of video

On the mission field

CLAYTON: Human trafficking is modern-day slavery and it is broken up into two categories. One, labor trafficking, forced labor. And the other is sex trafficking. The best estimates are that there are 50 million people trapped in human trafficking, and five million of those are in sex trafficking. It is a \$150 billion industry.

I would not be in this work if I wasn't seeing lives transformed. That causes us to keep pressing forward. We have this built-in hope and redemption that we're seeing as we meet new girls that have been rescued. And God is still a rescuing, redeeming God and we continue to move forward trusting that he will restore lives.

Our team is great at building the case that will allow us to get warrants to shut down brothels and rescue girls. This is a thinking person's game. How do we outsmart someone who is operating in the dark corners of the world? How do we find out who is doing what, when, where, and how?

And we're seeing success that we couldn't ask or imagine.

So much success that the second thing we do, we provide restoration care. Our restoration home is overflowing. This is a problem and guess what? It is a great problem to have. This is something where God is answering our prayers to rescue victims of trafficking.

The third thing we do is we go upstream to the community; source communities trafficking where these girls are coming from and work in schools, and churches, and outreach programs to at-risk youth believing that heart transformation is the only long-term solution.

We're fighting a true evil. And we're seeing in the midst of that God transforming lives. And all of this is only possible because of partners like *LIFE Outreach International*. And with your help, we're going to keep going on this good fight.

End of video

In the studio

JAMES: You are hearing the heart of someone full of the love of God who has been willing to plant their life in the midst of pain for one reason—hope, life, love, freedom. They've been sent by God, placed there by God, heartbroken by God, but unable to do much without you. It's like this hand cannot work without this part of the body connected to this part, and the whole body submitted to the one head, that hand can then do the will of God. You are the connection to those hands-on people who are lifting people out of the pit of hopelessness and despair. And I mean giving them life and freedom.

Betty, we've seen them where they were bought, sometimes \$50 or \$100, and were told they were going to be taken to have great training and a great job. And they never saw their family again. And then Betty, we've seen them in those brothels. We've seen them paraded out on the street, half-naked trying to attract men who have flown over in 747s, one after the other all day, from all over the world, many from here in the United States to have sex with these precious ones.

Then, Betty, we've seen them set free. And we've built homes for them. And you can hear them singing. We used to be able to show their faces. We can't now because they're trying to capture them when they see them and take them out of those places if they see them in public. So we only let you see them from behind. But Betty, we've seen them set free. We've seen what love does.

BETTY: We have! And you know as we watched earlier that little girl saying there was no hope, and she was weeping, I wept with her. I hope you did too. I hope your heart was touched because they are hurting so bad. They have no hope.

But we can be that hope. We can offer hope for them. And that hope only comes from Jesus Christ, and a place for them to feel safe, that thrills them that we can have a way to get them out and to show them what real love and hope and life is about.

So I hope you'll continue if you have already joined us, if it is your first time, you're going to be blessed by giving and offering hope.

JAMES: Well, you've sent us over there to find the missionaries that moved in. The people that we've helped, many of them have planted their lives there. They've been there 20 years, 25 years. They're never leaving. They left a luxurious life here to move into that hell on earth to bring the kingdom of heaven to those people and it is working. But it wouldn't be without you. God sent them but you enable them to accomplish what they were sent to do.

So would you right now, would you write the greatest check you can write knowing it will be doubled? Would you please? If you can give \$128 that normally rescues one, now it's two. Because some of our friends are going to match what you give. Please, get your bank card and use it like a check. Dial that number or go online. And remember, please ask for *Fight the Good Fight* because that was written by love from two men, me and Jay Richards over a 12-year process to try to show you the principles that can be put in place to set us free again and keep us free.

Please, help rescue these precious ones. Make that gift because you're giving the greatest possible gift, freedom and life. Thank you!

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On the mission field

ANNERIE: Human trafficking affects every country in the world. And in big cities like this, around major train stations and adult entertainment areas, runaway teenagers gather trying to escape their abusive family environments just longing for a community that will love and accept them. Traffickers target these children and offer them food and shelter in exchange for sex. And for a child that is desperate and vulnerable, this might seem like the only way out.

These children are part of almost 50 million men, women, and children around the world living in conditions of modern-day slavery. But to Jesus, they're not a number. He knows every single one of them by name and he has a plan and a purpose for their lives. That is why Zoe, together with our partners at *LIFE Outreach International*, works to end child trafficking through prevention, rescue, and restoration.

Because of your support, we are able to work with local authorities to rescue children from some of the most horrific situations imaginable and to offer them hope and a future. But there are still more than 10 million children that need to be rescued. And that's why we need your continued prayers and support. Because you empower us to be a voice for the voiceless and to be able to continue our work to reach every person and rescue every child.

End of video**In the studio**

JAMES: I've asked you to set people free. We've asked you to give them food and water. We've asked you to put God's arms around so many who suffer. This is my attempt, Jay Richards's attempt, our family, our wives' attempt, and everybody that's close to us to get God's arms around you so you put his arms around the rest of your nation. And we restore the principles of freedom by fighting the good fight against evil. Let's set these captives free and then let's reestablish freedom's foundation for the sake of everyone God loves so much and gave his son to provide freedom for. Please do it. Spread the word. Make a kingdom impact.