**Anti-prostitution**

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“Prostitution as an institution is evil. It doesn’t matter if it is the world’s oldest profession, it is still wrong,” insisted Dorn Checkley. Prostitution is an exchange of money for sex. Prostitutes, in a brothel or in the red-light district, are people whose job it is to have sex with others. Some of them are forced and some are not. However, all share a common good of earning money. Prostitution is a very serious problem is all over the world and it affects lots of families and spread disease. Prostitution must be strictly forbidden!

Those opposed to prostitution claim that prostitution remains one of the leading vectors[[1]](#footnote-1) for AIDS infection. “Even if a prostitute is being tested every week for HIV, she will test negative for at least the first 4~6 weeks and possibly the first 12 weeks after being infected. If we assume that he or she takes only 4 weeks to become positive because there is an additional lag time of 1~2 weeks to get the results back, there will be at best a window period of 6 weeks for a prostitute. The average prostitute services clients is between 10~15 clients per day. This means that while the test is becoming positive and the results are becoming known, that prostitute may expose up to 630 clients to HIV,” Jeffrey J. claimed, Doctor of Osteopathy in health consultant on human trafficking for the Christian medical association. But, do not forget that the quotation above is under the best circumstances with testing. According to one study, in a Thai brothel, the infection of HIV rates rose from 16% to 18.5% from 2011[[2]](#footnote-2). If a prostitute transmits HIV to a man, it could result in the man’s wife and children losing their husband and father, if he were married. The man could also infect HIV his wife, his girlfriend, or another prostitute. Many people were infected with HIV from a one prostitute who has HIV.

Critics of prostitution argue that prostitution is just like slavery. If the prostitution is strictly forbidden, it could avoid the trafficking and sexual abuse. “Behind the facade of a regulated industry, brothel prostitutes in Nevada are captive in conditions analogous to slavery,” Anstasia Volkonsky asserted, a lawyer who is also a former executive director, wrote in the Feb. 27, 1995. Most of the people might think that prostitutes have an easy job and they do not need to work for whole day, but it is not true. Normally, prostitutes work twelve hours per day even when they are sick, menstruating, or pregnant. Also, they need to pay about 50% of their earnings to the madam and pimps in the brothel. Many women and children from all over the world have been kidnapped because pimps and underworld need to continue their prostitution ring. In order to let those kidnapped women and kids to listen to them and let them obey them, pimp usually force them to take the drug and make them to become drug addicts[[3]](#footnote-3).

Those in favor of prostitution claim that prostitutes need protection from laws and government. They point out, “No person’s human or civil rights should be violated on the basis of their trade, occupation, work, calling, or profession.” (Prostitution act of 1996) If what the proponents said is valid, then people who sell drug or traffic in gunpowder can be legal too? The truth is that no law has ever succeeded in stopping prostitution but actually the education can. If children were taught how awful prostitution is and the consequences of prostitution, the rate of prostitution and HIV/AIDS will decrease. “Whether women enter the sex trade willing or not, no government should sanction prostitution,” Bonnie Erbe contended in 2006. Another reason that prostitution cannot be legal is because that if prostitution is legal, then it gives men an excuse to find sex outside of marriage. He will be very disloyal to his wife/husband and children; also, it will increase the rate of divorce.

In conclusion, due to medical problem and morality, prostitution must be forbidden. General effects by prostitution are mickle, HIV/AIDS, trafficking, abuse, disloyalty, and so on. What I mention are the growing problem of prostitution. These serious problems can destroy one’s life and family. If prostitution is legal, could you allow your husband/wife to find sex outside of marriage? What if they became infected with HIV/ADIS?

1. (Biology) An insect, animal, etc. that carries a particular disease from one living things to another [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. According to [www.sexwork.com/Thailand/aids.html](http://www.sexwork.com/Thailand/aids.html) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Article “”Legalizing the ‘Profession’ Would Sanction the Abuse. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)