- Do you believe Human Trafficking only occurs in Third World countries?
- Do you believe that Slavery was abolished in the United States hundreds of years ago?

Author Theresa Flores shares her story of trafficking and slavery while living in an upper-middle class suburb of Detroit Michigan. At fifteen years of age, she was drugged, raped and tortured for two long years. Kept in bondage, forced to pay back an impossible debt. All the while living at home, attempting to keep family safe and attending school during the day along side of her abusers. Only to be called into 'service', late each night, while her unknowing family slept. Involuntarily involved in a large criminal ring, Ms. Flores endured more as a child than most adults will ever face their entire lives.

In *the Sacred Bath*, Ms. Flores discusses how she healed the wounds of slavery and offers advice to parents and professional on preventing this from occurring. She also educates and gives facts on human trafficking in modern day American.

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Ms. Flores' mission is to educate others on the horrors of trafficking and fight against this huge injustice of innocent people. She hopes that by revealing her story, it will give victims of all types of abuse hope and assist in their healing process.



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