

# Discussion Guide

1. Did anything you learned in «Saved» surprise you? What made the biggest impression on you in the documentary? Why?
2. Andy and his mother Minji took a big risk by fleeing North Korea. Why do you think they chose to leave their home country? What would make you flee your country?
3. On their way, they actually bought poison so that they could kill themselves quickly if they got caught by Chinese border police. This is a common strategy among North Korean defectors. Why do you think they would rather die than be sent back?
4. (Can be skipped): Take some time to read stories of other [rescued refugees](#). Tim often have to make hard choices, as resources are limited. If you only had money to rescue three of these defectors, who would you choose?
5. Why do you think China abdicates its responsibility according to international refugee law by forcibly repatriating North Korean escapees? What do you feel about your country's response to the international refugee crisis?
6. Four out of ten North Koreans are undernourished, according to World Food Program. 1 in 5 children are stunted. How can sending seeds help? ([World Food Programme](#))
7. Freedom of Religion or Belief does not exist in North Korea. The regime treats religion as a threat, particularly faiths associated with the West, such as Christianity, and is known to arrest, torture, imprison, and even execute religious believers. The broad scale persecution of Christians that has been carried out in North Korea since the 1950's, has compelled the surviving church leaders and Christians to live life on a bare minimum level as underground Christians. How would it be for you to practice your faith or belief in such a secret way – always risking your and your families life if you were discovered?
8. Tim challenges the Christians in South Korea to reconsider how they use their money in light of the severe humanitarian crisis just across the border. Do you agree with his views? How do you feel about how the churches in your own country use money?
9. Tim says in the movie that «there is no question that it is a test of faith when you hear about some of the extraordinary treatment that North Koreans endure». What do you think he means? Do you agree with his explanation of God's and man's role in this crisis?
10. Read Tim's suggested Action Points. Which of these do you think would be easiest to incorporate into your life? Do you have other suggestions for action?

# Tim's 10 Action Steps to help North Koreans

1. Pray! Read Tim's suggested prayer points (see page 3).
2. Give to ministries who support North Koreans, like [Stefanus Alliance International](#) who has been supporting Tim's work for 15 years – and also work inside of North Korea. [HERE](#)
3. [Learn](#) more - and keep updated!
4. Arrange a screening of «Saved – Escape from Kim's regime» in your home, small group, church, school etc. Read more about how to do it [HERE](#).
5. Organize grassroots church and civil society initiatives that highlight DPRK's dismal human rights record AND that can practically assist ordinary North Koreans in some ways.
6. Lobby your national leaders (executive and legislative branches especially) to actively engage in the UN's Universal Periodic Review of the human rights situation in North Korea (DPRK)
7. Hold national leaders to account for foreign policy with China that often tends to favor business interests over human rights, especially China's longstanding policy of forced repatriation of North Korean refugees.
8. Search to see if any North Korean refugees are resettled in your country and area and see how you might help.
9. Start a vegetable seed-packing group of your own!
10. Write a letter to the people involved in the rescue work to encourage them in their work, or write an encouraging card to newly arrived refugees in South Korea. Send this to Tim.

# Tim's suggested Prayer Points

*Pray for a radical change of heart and conversion of Kim Jong Un. (Kim's great-grandparents were devout Christians!)*

*Pray that the new diplomatic efforts will have good results, and will lead to a recognition of the universal human rights of its people by the government of North Korea.*

*Pray for freedom and a dignified life for the people of North Korea.*

*Pray for wisdom and guidance for everyone involved in various negotiations with North Korea.*

*Pray for protection for Christians who suffer persecution from state authorities; for friends and neighbors of those who have to keep their faith secret.*

*Pray for strength and courage for Christians and others who suffer in prisons, labor camps and those banished to remote areas.*

*Pray for easy access by international organizations and NGOs to assist with food and other necessities to the most vulnerable sectors of North Korea. Pray for improved crop harvests.*

*Pray for protection for every North Korean that has fled, and for everyone that is involved in helping North Korean defectors in China.*

*Pray that China will adhere to international refugee protection law and will stop its practice of sending defectors back to North Korea.*

*Pray for North Korean refugee women who are trapped in human trafficking in China. Pray for their release and freedom.*

*Pray for the escapees who have been forcibly repatriated to the DPRK by China, that they might survive imprisonment and torture. Pray for children of refugee women who are forced to stay in China.*