What is Slavery?
- A structure where people are owned and deprived of their agency.
- Individuals stripped of their volition.
- Dehumanization.
- When a person is treated as a commodity.
- Forced work with no say in the use of the surplus made.

The Start of New Slavery
- New World slavery started around the 17th century.
  - The transatlantic trade route carried slaves, cash crops, and manufactured goods between West Africa, Caribbean or American colonies and the European colonial powers, with the northern colonies of British North America, especially New England, sometimes taking over the role of Europe.
  - The Middle Passage was the stage of the triangular trade in which millions of people from Africa were shipped to the New World as part of the Atlantic slave trade.

Capitalism and Morality
- Capitalism is investing in capital to generate surplus.
- Capitalism is amoral. Therefore, it has to be regulated.
- In the absence of morality, slavery thrives.
- Morality is when one has rules of conduct for themselves. Its concern is treating individuals as human beings.
- Morality treats people with free agency, dignity, and control of their bodies.
- Morality puts rules on the kind of capitalism engagement.
- Although capitalism is amoral, when it meets morality, surplus is sacrificed.
- Morality puts restraints on capitalism.

Neoslavery
- Neo-slavery is a restriction on a person’s agency driven by capitalist concerns and supported by the structure of the culture:
  - Sex trafficking
  - Human trafficking
  - Bonded Labor
  - Child Labor

Statistics
- In the research we have done, statistics have shown that the number of slaves increased greatly over the years; by 1850, there were half as many slaves as there were free white men.
- Human trafficking victims are comprised mainly of women and children, most of whom are used as sex slaves. Half of the people trafficked internationally are children. The other one million are mainly made up of women: a staggering 80%.

U.S. Slaves VS. Undocumented Aliens
- Couldn’t bring lawsuits
- Have Firearms
- Drink Alcohol
- Read
- Write
- Property Rights
- Marriage
- Are underpaid
- Horrible working conditions
- Limited rights; no health benefits

Laws
- The 13th and 14th Amendments explicitly outlaw the institution of slavery.
- Although these amendments were enacted in the 1860s, it took over 100 years for the government to enforce these laws.
- Over time, better laws were enacted adjusting the Constitution and amendments to fit the individual’s freedom of agency.
- Slavery has branched out into new forms, adjusting to each century, causing Supreme Court cases to make decisions to prevent neo-slavery.

References