



“Repeat Work” in the Real World ***(Seat Work, Feet Work, Repeat Work)***



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Dear Friends,

Teachers make a difference. And who do you think would win Teacher of the World award? And no, it's not Oprah. Need a hint? He has the starring role in the Gospels.

In the Gospels we see that many (namely the Apostles) had a front row seat to the magnificent teachings of Jesus (*seat work*). But a good teacher doesn't let learning end in the classroom. The best teachers show us how to use the skills we've learned and apply them in the real world.

In the *Acts of the Apostles* we read how the Apostles took the knowledge they learned from Jesus and applied it in the real world (*feet work*). This resulted in large numbers of conversions. People came to know who Jesus was and His plan for our salvation.

The Apostles were doubtful of their abilities but before leaving to go to His Father, Jesus gave His last command to them in the Great Commission (Matt 28:16-20). *...go therefore, and make disciples of all nations ... (repeat work)*

In a similar way, we train participants in our seminar (*seat work*) who join us on campus to practice what they've learned (*feet work*) who then take what they've learned to impact their peers. After a summer internship in 2010, Laura Beeson resumed her studies for a nursing degree last fall at Univ. of New Mexico. In October, I received the following email from her (*repeat work*).

For some reason last Monday, I felt compelled to show the exhibit brochure to someone in my [Biology]

class. The conversation went something like this.

Laura: "We were talking about abortion in my biomedical ethics class."

Sally: "Yeah? You know, I'm pro-choice, but only in the very early stages."

Laura: "I used to be like that, too, actually. I'd stick up for the rights to an abortion to my cousin when we'd discuss it ... Until I saw a picture. I actually have pictures with me. Do you mind if I share them with you?" (pulls out JFA Exhibit Brochure)

Sally: "Sure."

Laura: "Well, it doesn't start with abortion, it just starts with biology like when does life begin? Or is this a human? What do you think?"



Sally: "This is interesting."

Laura: "Well, the next picture isn't of an abortion. It's a picture of a surgery being performed on a little guy named Sammy. He had spina bifida so the doctors went in and performed a \$35,000 surgery on him while he was 21 weeks old [in utero] to fuse his spine. Now he's actually a competitive swimmer!"

Sally: "Oh my gosh. That is so cute. But 21 weeks?! What kind of sick person would abort then?"

Laura: "Well (pointing to Sammy's picture) this is how we treat wanted children, right?

We give them surgeries to fix and help them but

unwanted children. . . they get a whole different type of surgery. This is abortion. So I'd like to ask, does our wantedness or unwantedness define our value as human beings?"

Sally: "Oh my gosh, YOU CAN SEE THEIR INTESTINES!"

Laura: "I know. I don't think the majority of people know what this looks like."

Sally: "How could anyone do this!?"

She approached me the following Wednesday and said, "Laura, I CANNOT stop thinking about those pictures. I was ALWAYS pro-choice. But, I never put a face to the word! I even told my mom about it! I just can't believe that happens. I held someone's hand during an abortion when I was young. I had NOOOO idea what was going on. Why don't more people know!?"

Laura said she then looked down at her JFA exhibit brochure, and thought, "This is one powerful tool!!"

As you can see, Laura was able to utilize the knowledge and tools she learned from JFA to have a life-saving dialogue in her everyday life. Let me know if you would like to receive this same training so YOU can participate in seat work, feet work and repeat work and impact someone you know.

Did you check out our new website yet? What did you think? Please email me at tammy@jfaweb.org to let me know what you think after you've looked through the Who, What, How, Join Us and Meet the Mentors sections! www.jfaweb.org

An Unexpected Opportunity

JFA has been invited to a Campus Outreach Forum sponsored by CareNet on June 2 in Virginia! I will be representing JFA as I present our mission to 20 national ministries that do outreach work on college campuses. I am looking forward to learning how we can work together to share a message of love and truth about abortion combined with Christ's love for each student we meet.

CareNet is a non-profit with over 1,000 centers nationwide. They provide information on abortion alternatives, free pregnancy tests, adoption and many other resources to women in crisis pregnancies. Since we encounter women (and men) on campuses who are considering abortion and/or hurting from a past abortion, it is our desire to partner with pregnancy resource centers like CareNet in each community. We work to have counselors on campus with us who can offer the necessary resources to women and men to make it easier for them to choose life for their baby.

Your support means so much! I am so blessed by not only your financial gifts but also by your prayers for my work to make abortion unthinkable. Please let me know how I can pray for you.

Prayer Requested for Medical Procedure:

I will have a Heart Catheter procedure on June 15 at 11:30 am. Due to some heart pain I've had recently, I had a stress test on May 24. I had chest discomfort towards the end of the test along with an abnormal EKG. Because of a family history of heart disease (my Dad had an angioplasty at my age) and other health factors, my doctor has strongly recommended a heart catheter procedure. If they find blockage, they will insert a stent and I will spend the night at the hospital. Otherwise, I'll go home that evening. I will return to work on June 20. I appreciate your prayers.

Richest blessings In Christ,

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