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Quarterly Issues Program List

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First Quarter 2022 (1 January to 31 March)

The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to WFTF, RUTLAND, VT, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period of 1 January to 31 March. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All times are Pacific.

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Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Housing	Closer Look	1/2/22	7:00pm	28min	<p>Americans On the Move - The Great Reshuffling?</p> <p>Facing realities, sometimes economic, sometimes health-related, people nationwide are reassessing personal priorities. Dvera Cohn of Pew Research Center confirms “about 1 in 20 adults told us they had moved permanently or temporarily due to the coronavirus outbreak,” a marked uptick from years past.</p> <p>Related Links: https://www.makemymove.com/ https://www.bankrate.com/authors/jeff-ostrowski/</p>
Military	Closer Look	1/9/22	7:00pm	29min	<p>U.S. Soldiers Join Cru Military Ministry Worldwide</p> <p>U.S. soldiers must endure grueling physical training. They suffer sleepless nights, heavy rucksacks, muddy marches and lonely months --or years-- separated from loved ones. As battle drills build strength and endurance for mind and body, Cru Military Ministry seeks to strengthen a soldier's heart and soul. The mission “for us, specifically...it's spiritual fitness,” says Dave Eatman, retired Marine and Cru National Director. The ministry offers “discipleship, education and mentoring and encouragement to serve Christ well and walk with Christ well while in uniform.”</p>
Education	Closer Look	1/16/22	7:00pm	15min	<p>‘Dare To Dream’ School Assemblies Ignite Hope in Tweens, Teens</p> <p>Air1's Dare To Dream school assemblies rely heavily on the power of personal experience, starting with the unlikely success Randy Rich enjoyed as a professional football player for the Detroit Lions, Denver Broncos, Oakland Raiders and Cleveland Browns. Various artists, musicians and pro-athletes take the mic to share their own struggles to believe and achieve.</p>
Technology	Closer Look	1/16/22	7:15pm	15min	<p>Young Children Give Out Phone Numbers, Chat with Strangers Online</p> <p>An Interview with the Center for Cyber Safety and Education and Eliza McCoy with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about their age-appropriate training program called Netsmartz.</p>
Safety	Closer Look	1/23/22	7:00pm	30min	<p>Be Safer at Work or Church, Thoughts on Security</p> <p>You see trouble, you hear it – now believe it. “Trust your intuition...you know when a situation is different,” says Hector Alvarez, an expert in workplace security with more than 25 years of experience in threat assessment. “One of your best bets for surviving these incidents is thinking about it before it happens.” Preparation is key says Mindi Russell, exec. dir. of the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy of Sacramento. “Instead of, ‘it will never happen here,’ have the mindset that if something happens, this is what we'll do.”</p>

Healthcare	Closer Look	1/30/22	7:00pm	28min	<p>'Rest' Is More Than Sleep – What Kind of Tired Are You? Rest is the root of the word 'restoration' – and restoration is a principle that medical internist Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith sees as crucial to seven distinct areas of your life. "Rest isn't just the cessation of activity," she says, suggesting that for optimal health "you have to get to the point of knowing what restores you. What fills you back up?" 7 types of Rest: Physical, Mental, Emotional, Spiritual, Social, Sensory and Creative.</p> <p>Related Links: Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith - REST QUIZ - What Kind of Rest Do You Need?</p>
Adoption – Mental Health	Closer Look	2/6/22	7:00pm	29min	<p>Real Talk on Adoption - Thoughts on Trauma, Dignity and Birth Parents</p> <p>Adopting a child is beautiful -- but messy. "We're not always looking at it from the adoptee's side," cautions Jenn Hook, co-founder Replanted Ministry. Vanessa Joy Walker was adopted as a baby. "Grief is woven into an adoptee's journey," she says, adding desperate questions about birthparents are sometimes suppressed by pressure to be grateful. Walker advises parents to coach even young, adopted children on how, when and with whom to share their own stories. "The grief and the gratitude can co-exist."</p>
Family Issues	Closer Look	2/13/22	7:00pm	30min	<p>Solo' Parent Society Hosts Free Online Support Groups</p> <p>After 13 years of marriage, Robert Beeson suddenly found himself single. "My wife left me -- and left me with our three daughters who were 9, 7 and 4 at the time. It was the darkest season." Grappling with this new solo responsibility, the divorced dad turned to his church for comfort and support. He was saddened to find very few Christian resources address the deep loneliness and doubt that many single parents endure. Out of his own need to be part of a welcoming faith community, Beeson founded the Solo Parent Society.</p>
Human Trafficking	Closer Look	2/20/22	7:00pm	16min	<p>Help for Runaway Teens, Free Bus Tickets to Safety</p> <p>Teenagers are especially vulnerable to the evils of modern slavery. "Human trafficking is a legitimate concern for folks out the street," says Jeff Stern, CEO of the National Runaway Safeline. More than 4-million teenagers are homeless every year, though not always by choice. "Whether it's that they don't feel safe in their own home, or whether they've been kicked out, this is not something young people generally want." Whatever drove them to the streets, hunger inevitably awaits. Traffickers spot runaways as easy prey and sometimes offer food to bait the trap.</p>

Human Trafficking	Closer Look	2/20/22	7:16pm	16min	<p>A 'Call to Action': Challenging Human Trafficking Among Native American Tribes</p> <p>Matthew Holgate is on a mission. He's student body president at Christ-centered Vanguard University in California. And he's becoming an expert in human trafficking, especially among his people in the Navajo Nation. "As a Christian, I feel like it's my responsibility to combat the issue of human trafficking, whether that's educating people or doing studies and research...but as a Christian and being a Native American, the Christian aspect of this, I look at human trafficking biblically." "First, I see a call to action in Matthew chapter 5 when Jesus talks about being salt and light," Holgate explains, "And secondly, from Proverbs...the New Living Translation, it reads, "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed (Proverbs 31:8)." Holgate sees that scripture as a second call to action for him to stand up for Native American people, who "have had their voices taken from them – and in some cases, they're not even invited to the table."</p>
Incarceration – Ministry	Closer Look	2/27/22	7:00pm	15min	<p>Jail to Jobs, Prison Fellowship 'Remembers Those in Prison'</p> <p>Christ-centered ministries like Prison Fellowship and Jail To Jobs Austin break into that hopelessness with practical and spiritual reform. Hip-hop artist Lecrae partners with Prison Fellowship, performing concerts in select prisons, speaking and encouraging inmates to embrace a second chance at life. He has several relatives who have been in prison, "even my own father was incarcerated, some of my closest uncles as well." Citing imperfect biblical leaders like Moses and King David, the artist commits himself to raising awareness of all people serving sentences, well-deserved or not. Jesus "wouldn't see them as what they've done, He'd see them as what He can do through them. I think that's how we should see them as well. They're still human beings with dignity who've made mistakes."</p>
Healthcare	Closer Look	3/6/22	7:00pm	29min	<p>Living With Chronic Illness? Advice For Faith and Family</p> <p>The doctor called. Your disease has a name. It can be treated, but it cannot be cured. Your life becomes a swirl of doctors and pills. Finances suffer. Even your faith takes a hit. You likely feel very alone, as loved ones can be the last to accept the diagnosis. "It can be very isolating when no one really gets it," says Susan Rodriguez at Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. As a licensed clinical social worker, she works with patients who experience emotional pain caused by their debilitating physical condition. To ease that loneliness and distress, Rodriguez recommends involving loved ones in as many doctor visits and conference calls about therapies and treatments as possible.</p>

Youth Programs	Closer Look	3/13/22	7:00pm	28min	<p>Sick Children Hunt and Fish Thanks to Catch-A-Dream Foundation</p> <p>“When a family has a child with a life-threatening or terminal medical condition, everyone in that family suffers,” says Dr. Marty Brunson, avid outdoorsman and founding board member of the Catch-A-Dream Foundation. The charity provides all-expense paid trips for kids who crave outdoor adventure. “Our job is to give them that opportunity to have what one child once called, a ‘vacation from being sick’-- he said, ‘when I’m huntin’ and fishin’ I don’t really feel bad.” Since 1999, Catch-A-Dream has taken more than 740 children from their hospital beds to lakes and woods for sportsman trips. The entire family is included.</p>
Faith	Closer Look	3/20/22	7:00pm	16min	<p>GenZ Christians Surveyed on God, The Bible and Society</p> <p>GenZ Christians have questions about practical faith. They want Scripture-based solutions for the issues they face alongside their friends. “I can no longer avoid truths about racial injustice, about environmental destruction and I do not know if the Church cares about this.” For them it’s pastoral – not political.</p>
Education	Closer Look	3/20/22	7:16pm	15min	<p>Tech Careers Encouraged Among Black Youth Through ‘Hidden Genius’</p> <p>The Hidden Genius Project launched when five business and tech titans, all black men, partnered to mentor black boys for careers in science and technology. Rooted in inner-city Oakland California, they established a training system which since 2012 has expanded south to Los Angeles and even internationally to London, England and South Africa.</p>
Pregnancy Resources	Closer Look	3/27/22	7:00pm	30min	<p>Young Girls Pregnant and Scared Turn to StandUpGirl.com</p> <p>Dawn-Marie Perez, executive director of StandUpGirl.com says their site stands ready to help. “Our mission is to have these girls be able to find life-affirming information through us -- and then we connect them with pregnancy centers in their neighborhood.” Quick response is essential. “If you go google the word ‘abortion’ right now there are millions of websites that are gonna come up. Our goal is to have StandUpGirl show up on that first page of their google search.”</p>