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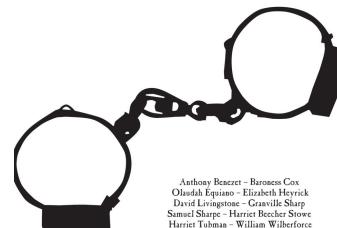
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Anthony Benezet - Baroness Cox
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David Livingstone - Granville Sharp
Samuel Sharpe - Harriet Martineau
Harriet Tubman - William Wilberforce

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ENDORSEMENTS

I've heard about William Wilberforce and the fight against slavery since I was a child but when I read this book I realised how many more people were involved in the struggle. It was thrilling to hear about Samuel Sharpe and the part played by the slaves in the West Indies themselves, the brave stand taken by many Christians there, both slaves and free people. Young people will like this book too because of the lively way the stories are written.

Janet Persson, Kidlington

So often liberal-minded commentators in the media chastise Christians for their 'lack of compassion' against their favourites, not realising that the freedoms they enjoy today are down to Christians fighting on the side of the underdog in the past.

If you are fed up with this then get a copy of this book and shove it under their noses as it shows, in flowing prose, not only how Christians were centrally involved in the abolition of the slave trade in the past - but how they are continuing to do so today.

Makes you proud to be a Christian (oops! - might have committed a sin there!)

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Voices against Slavery: Writing Voices against slavery was a disturbing experience. It was shocking to read the cruel details of slavery and to realise how long it took to end the slave trade. It was also disturbing to realise afresh that slavery has never ended. The fight against this crime continues today.

To write this book I spent many months researching. I tried to visit places in the UK whose histories are linked to the slave trade. Perhaps the most moving experience was travelling to Sierra Leone in West Africa. Everywhere in Freetown are reminders of the people who fought for the abolition of the slave trade - their names are on road signs, buildings and name places. As I wrote this book I learnt so much from the people who have taken a stand against slavery. Their courage, determination and faith have shone through some of the darkest times in history.

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