

Reproducible 2

**Arn visits a former Khmer Rouge child soldier (KR).
Arn on boat – Walking down dirt road.**

Arn (voice over): I want to talk to someone who understands what I went through.
So I am going to talk to a guy I know who was forced to do a lot of killing when he was a child, just like me.

Arn on Camera:

(Men watch Arn as he walks toward hut, (see man with arms off and one eye out, girls with lice in hair)

Arn: No matter where I go, I still remember...
That the Khmer Rouge forced me to kill people.

I remember removing the victims' clothing.

If I didn't do that...
I didn't know what would happen to me.

I don't want to know (**talk about**) if you killed or not,
What I want to know is how you deal with your anger, your guilt..

Millions of people died and yet we escaped death.
We are lucky.
We have a chance to live in our own houses.
We are lucky to be alive,
But I still have a lot of pain and anger inside of me.

I want to ask you about your feelings.
How do you deal with this?

(long silence)
I want you to know, I feel uneasy too.
Whatever you can remember, just let me know.

KR: It was hard to know right and wrong.
I tried to avoid it, but I had no choice.
I didn't want to be involved.
But in the end, I couldn't escape. I was thrown into it.

Arn: We were told to do these things when we were young.
So the guilt is still with us.

KR: Yeah, there's definitely guilt.

I feel ashamed and disappointed.
I feel remorse.
I should not have been trapped in that situation.
And I really did try hard to escape from it.

Life... when I think about these things that happened to us
I feel like it's not over...
It just keeps going,

Because it still lingers on.
Why do I have to endure all this suffering?

Arn hugs KR soldier good-bye.

(Arn on voice over, crying as he departs house)

This particular former Khmer Rouge... I don't know whether anybody...will tell him before he die that he is a good person...or hug him.

I, I, I did.

I do it...(Arn on camera) because I want him to die and knowing that one person understands you.

And be able to hug give you a hug.
That's why I did it.

(Arn on voice over with incense/praying at Buddha)

People forgive me you know, people in the world now forgive me.

But saying to that boy, hugging that boy...I forgive myself.

(Arn on cam) I'm hugging myself.