

GOING ON EVERY DAY IN A PRISON NEAR YOU...



**THE REALITY OF PRISON TORTURE
IN CALIFORNIA AND THE U.S.**

“The Christian in me says it's wrong, but the corrections officer in me says, 'I love to make a grown man piss himself.'” - Corporal Charles Graner

The torture of Iraqi prisoners at Abu Ghraib is no surprise. Those same conditions are seen in prisons across the U.S., the country that has the highest imprisonment rate in the world. Two of the first seven soldiers caught torturing Iraqis in Abu Ghraib prison worked as U.S. prison guards before going to Iraq, including Charles Graner, quoted above.

In California prisons there are specially designated areas called Security Housing Units (SHU) where

prisoners are held in long term solitary confinement under sensory deprivation. This causes severe physical and mental health problems, ultimately driving the victim insane and causing death. These units were condemned by the United Nations as torture. Thousands of prisoners, predominantly targeting Mexicans and Africans, are locked in these torture cells. Come learn about the American prison system and how we can fight it.

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