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Do You Love the Church?

Why Are You a Church Member?

How Are You Representing
the Church?


Are You Passionate About What
Jesus is Passionate About?



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“State” of the 21st Century Church:

1 Cor 3: 3 “Yet CARNAL!”

- ☞ Insincere! Disingenuous! Pretenders!
 - ☞ Think the Worst! Dishonest to Each Other!
 - ☞ Lovers of SIN! Aren't Accountable to Each Other!
 - ☞ Gossips! Keep Records Against Each Other!
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Teachings ... This Series

- What is the “Ekklesia” - Namely the “Church?”
The “You - You Were” without Christ!
- Church HURT! Relationships & Conflict in the Church! Church Discipline “Does God “Wink” at SIN in the Church!
- The 21st Century Church & WORSHIP!
- “Racism” in the Church! The SKIN You Live In!
Is the “Body” a “Compromised” EKKLESIA!

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“The 21st Century Church & RACISM!

What is the *Diversity* Within Your
Current *Circle of Friends* . . . *Why?*

Regarding *Racism & Segregation*,
What *Contribution* Has the Church
Perpetuated?



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*Are the Leaders & Members In The 21st
Century Church, Telegraphing
(Communicating) Specific People They
Want to Identify (Fellowship) with ...
Sunday Mornings?*

*Do You Consciously Attract or
Unconsciously Reject Other
People-Groups & Ethnicities?*



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Are you **Mature (Christ-like)** in Your
Thinking & Attitude Towards **Other**
Ethnicities or More **Emotional Driven**
... Based on **Programming** (Your
Training) & the History of Injustices?

Are You Racist or Prejudiced?



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God Has Never Created a Person
He Does Not LOVE!

Are You “Racially Attractive?” No
Born-Again Believer Can Be a
RACIST! 1 John 4: 20 - 21



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The Church & RACISM!

POWERPOINTS - From This Teaching:

Racism, Prejudice & Bigotry ... is a Closed

HEART Matter ... Disciples of Christ Who

are RACIST in Any Form, Have a PLACE in

Their Heart They've Held Back From the

Power of the Gospel, Blood of Jesus

& the Cross!

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POWERPOINTS - This Teaching:

God Doesn't Have **Classifications** of People
... He Created the Body of Christ (**Ekklesia**)
to be **Culturally & Ethnically** Diverse -
God's Desire is the Church ... Reflect the
"Kingdom" ... Diversity of Heaven!



God Loves Diversity!

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POWERPOINTS - This Teaching:

As a Disciple of Christ **You Cannot Serve**
Both God & be a **Racist, Prejudiced or Bigot;**
If you are **Racist in Any Form,** You are **Out-of-**
Step with the **HEART & MIND** of Christ!

You Must Place Your **Ethnicity Below**
Your **Relationship** with Christ!



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POWERPOINTS - From This Teaching:

Your Responsibility - **Disciple of Christ:**

Micah 6: 8

“And What Does the Lord **Require of You** but to **Do Justly**, and to **Love kindness and Mercy**, and to **Humble Yourself** and **Walk Humbly** With Your God!”



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Previous Teaching ... “The 21st Century Church & RACISM!

- I. Biblical Construct - “God Created One Race”
 - a. How We Got Here ... “One Blood Line”
 - i. One Race - “We’re All Blood Relatives”
 - b. After the Flood ... “Noah’s Three Sons”
 - i. Descendants - “Nations Were Divided”



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“The 21st Century Church & RACISM!

Biblical Construct: God Created ONE RACE

Genesis 1: 27


“So God Created Man in His Own Image, in the Image of God He Created him; Male and Female He Created Them!”



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How We Got Here - **ONE Race(Relatives):**

- ✂ All Created by God! - Genesis 2: 7
 - ✂ All Created in God’s Image! - Genesis 1: 27
 - ✂ All Equal Origins ! - Genesis 9: 19
 - ✂ All Loved by God! - John 3: 16
 - ✂ All One Family! - Acts 17: 26
 - ✂ All Depraved Nature! - Romans 3: 23
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Acts 17: 26

“And He made from **One Blood All Nations** of Men
to Settle on the **Face of the Earth**, Having
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Today's Teaching ... "The 21st Century Church & RACISM!"

- I. ORIGIN of Racism - "Where, When & Who?"
 - a. Babel Rebellion ... "Man Opposed God!"
 - i. God Punished Man - "Scattered Him!"
 - b. The Rebellion Result ... "Ignited Racism & Racial Groups!"
 - i. Darwin; Spencer; Huxley - "Pioneers!"
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I. ORIGIN of Racism - "Where, When & Who?"

c. Dark Period ... **Segregation & Hatred - "Race-Based Slavery!"**

i. **Jim Crow Law; Supreme Court Ruling!"**

d. Role of the Church ... "Conformed!"

i. Segregated - **"Errant Theology!"**



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Then Came BABEL - Man's "Rebellion!"
Results of "Rebellion" Against God

- ✘ Man **Opposed** God ... **Don't Need GOD!**
- ✘ First False Religion/Cult Leader - "Nimrod!"
- ✘ God - "Scattered" Man Over the Earth; He "Confused the One Language & Tongue!"
- ✘ Birth - "Various Groups & Languages!"

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Results of "Rebellion" Against God

- ✘ Birth - Ethnicities from "Inbreeding!"
Various Skin Tones & Features
- ✘ Man vs. Man ... Superiority of Groups!
One Group "Superior" to Another!
- ✘ RACE "Ideology & Hatred" Was Born! ...
RACE-Based "Slavery!"

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Result of God's "Scattering" Over the Earth:
NOAH's Sons & Families!

- ☞ Japheth ... Europe! India!
- ☞ Ham ... Ethiopia! Sumeria! Egypt!
Phoenicia! Southern Arabia! China!
- ☞ Shem ... Israel! Arabic Countries!



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“The 21st Century Church & RACISM!

RACISM

Belief, Doctrine or Practice One RACE is Superior to Other Races! A Particular Racial Group is inferior to Another.

ETHNICITY (Cultural Heritage)

An Ethnic Group that Shares Customs; Religion; Language; Food; Art; Clothing; & Government ...
“Distinctive” from Other Ethnic Groups!

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RACISM ... "PIONEERS!"

Charles Darwin; Herbert Spencer &
Thomas Huxley

"Survival of the Fittest!"

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Darwinism ... "Opposed the Bible"

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RACISM... "PIONEERED!"

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RACISM... "PIONEERED!"

Thomas Rice

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Result of Inbreeding ... “Ethnic” Groups!



Light!
Medium!
Dark!

NOT Many “Colors” - Many “Shades/Features!”

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The SKIN You LIVE In - Color or Shade?



Two Types of Melanin:

Uumelanin Produces Brown
to Black; Pheomelanin
Produces Red to Yellow!

NOT Many "Colors" - Many "Shades/Features!"


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Galatians 3: 26 - 28

“In Christ Jesus You **Are All Sons of God**, Through Faith. There is Neither **Jew nor Greek**, There is Neither **Slave nor Free**, There is **No Male & Female**, for YOU ARE ALL **ONE** IN **CHRIST JESUS!**”



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“Only the Love of Christ & the Church can
CURE & HEAL RACISM ... Not
Government, Education or Any Other
Institution or Agency!”

The **Gospel** & the **Cross of Christ** is the
Only Answer to **Racism, Prejudice &**
Bigotry!



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Today

248 - Nationalities!

194 - Nations!

12,000 - 24,000 - People Groups!




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LOVE is Not RACIST!

1 John 4: 20 - 21

“If Anyone Says, “I love God” and Hates His Brother, He is a Liar; For He Who Does Not Love His Brother Whom He Has Seen Cannot Love God Whom He Has Not Seen. And This Commandment We Have From Him: Whoever LOVEs God Must Also Love His Brother!”



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“As Holy Law Giver & Creator,
God Has Decreed:

- ☞ That We LOVE Not Words - In Deeds!
 - ☞ That We Be Not - Hypocrites!
 - ☞ That We Be Not - Segregationist!
 - ☞ That We Obey God - Rather Than Men!
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Foundation Scriptures... **This Series**

Acts 20: 28

Take Care and be on Guard for Yourselves and for the **Whole Flock** over which the **Holy Spirit** has Appointed You as Overseers, to Shepherd (**tend, feed, guide**) the Church of God which **Jesus Bought with His Own blood!**



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Foundation Scriptures ... This Series

1 Peter 2: 9

But you are a **Chosen Race**, a **Royal Priesthood**, a **Holy Nation**, a People for His Own Possession, that You May Proclaim the Excellencies of Him who **Called You Out** of Darkness into His Marvelous Light!”

Eph 4: 5 - 6

There's **One** Body & **One** Spirit; - There's **One** Lord, **One** Faith, **One** Baptism, **One** God & Father of All, Who is **Over All** and **Through All** and **in All!**



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Foundation Scriptures... This Series

2 Chronicles 19:7

Be Careful **What You Do**, for there is **No Injustice** with the Lord our God, **or Partiality!**

Ephesians 4:32

Be **Kind and Loving** (Compassionate & Tenderhearted) to Each Other, and **Forgive** each other Just as **God Forgave You** in Christ!



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Objectives/Focus... This Series

- ☞ The Church is Not a **Voluntary Society**... The Church is a **HOLY Society** (Spiritual Family)!
- ☞ What are the Characteristics of the Church as **Created by God**?
- ☞ Do You **Love** the Church - Are You **Faithful & Loyal** to the Church?



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- ☞ Are You “Racially” Attractive? No Christian Can Be a Racist! 1 John 4: 20 - 21
- ☞ What’s Wrong With This Statement: “I Will Die for the Church, but I Won’t _____ for it!”
- ☞ How Am I Supposed to Love a Church That’s Hurt Me; Betrayed Me; or I’ve Lost Faith in?



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POWERPOINTS ... This Series

- ✂ God Requires the “Called Out Ones” to Make a “Difference” in the World! The Church Must be “Different” from the World!
- ✂ In the Early Church, the GOSPEL Brought Everyone Together; in the 21st Century Church Many Christians Don't Want to Worship & Serve God w/People Who Don't Look like Them!

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POWERPOINTS ... This Series

- ✂️ Worship Must be “Emulated” on Earth as it is in Heaven!
- ☞ God has **Never Created** a Person He Does Not **LOVE!**
- ☞ There Are (3) Types of People in the Church:
Those **Pretending** like **Judas**; Those **Fighting** like **Peter**; Those **Yielding** like **Jesus!**