

FAQ

WHAT IS GOD'S  
HEART TOWARD  
RACISM AND  
WHAT SHOULD OUR  
RESPONSE BE?

## SERMON NOTES

*"The bestest of arguments will always result in the wrongest conclusion, when the premise is false."*

### Seeking the mind of God

1 Cor 2:11-14

### The Believer's Authority: Scripture

2 Timothy 3:16-17

### Once Race - Acts 17:26

The term "race," as it is commonly used today, especially in America, IS \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLICAL.

Made in \_\_\_\_\_ Image - Genesis 1:26

From \_\_\_\_\_ blood: - Acts 17:26.

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## How did we get to this situation of racial division?

We have abandoned the \_\_\_\_\_.

If no Genesis 1-11, no need for \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.

Racism, is a sin against Christ.

SEE John 13:34; Ephesians 2:11-16; 4:1-6.

## Racism is a boast against the God who created you.

2 Corinthians 5:16-17

## In the Bible, the word, "race" is used ten times.

- Once as a verb: Nahum 2:4 (about chariots)
- Three times as reference to an activity such as an athletic contest:  
*Ecc1 9:11; 1 Cor 9:24; Hebrews 12:1*
- Six times in reference to a people group - Ezra 9:2 (holy race);  
*Zechariah 9:6 (mongrel race); Mark 7:26 (Syrophoenician race); Acts 7:19 (our race); James 3:7 (human race); 1 Peter 2:9 (CHOSEN RACE)*
- No \_\_\_\_\_ due to skin color
- Always a matter of \_\_\_\_\_ in the one true God. Ruth 1:16

## Racism is irrational.

The church can't legitimately hold to Darwinism and claim to walk in the light of God's Word, at the same time.

## How do I know when I have a racist thought?

- It is whenever I judge a person or a group of people solely on the basis of their skin \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- When I judge a political activity, not on the basis of \_\_\_\_\_ truth, but on the basis of skin color, then my judgment is racist.
- When I refuse to become part of a local faith community, because the skin color of the leader is not \_\_\_\_\_, that is racism.
- When one refers to a church as a \_\_\_\_\_ Church or a \_\_\_\_\_ Church, that may or may not be racism. It may simply be ignorance.
- When your Christianity is defined by the \_\_\_\_\_.

See Colossians 3:9-11; 2 Corinthians 5:16-17.

## The Character of the god determines the Character of the Worshipper.

*"The study of God's Word for the purpose of discovering God's will is the secret discipline which has formed the greatest character."*

– James W. Alexander

## Ephesians 5:1

Whatever your god is like, you should seek to be like that God in character.

Worship is supreme adoration which results in imitation.

## God's Character:

- Holiness - 1 Peter 1:15-16
- Love - Exodus 34:6

## WHAT SHOULD THE CHURCH DO?

2 Chronicles 7:14

1. Simply Repent. Just do it!
2. Stop following the culture. *SEE Romans 12:2.*
3. Be Imitators of God. (*See Ephesians 5:1*)
4. Do everything you can to promote unity within the Body of Christ.  
(*See John 17:21, 23; Ephesians 4:1-6.*)
5. Be the salt and light that you're called to be.
6. Begin to pray for our nation.

## I CHOOSE TO LOVE!

We are all members of the Body of Christ.

In the end, worship of God the Father and the Lamb will be the only thing that will matter. People from all walks of life will be engaged. And since what we do on Sunday mornings is like a dress rehearsal for what's to come, let's get it right down here! *See Rev. 5:9-14*

*For Christ's Glory!*