

360° RESPONSIBILITY

PART 4: MY RELATIONSHIPS – BRIDGING THE RACIAL DIVIDE

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“The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways....” Proverbs 14:8 (NIV)

RACISM: A Belief That Some Races Are _____
_____ To Others.

IS THERE A RACIAL DIVIDE?

“So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.” Genesis 1:27 (NIV)

“God blessed them and said to them. “Be fruitful and increase in number, fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” Genesis 1:28 (NIV)

“God saw all that He had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning – the sixth day.” Genesis 1:31 (NIV)

“He is the God who made the world and everything in it ... He himself gives life and breath to everything, and He satisfies every need. From one man he created all the nations throughout the whole earth.” Acts 17:24-26 (NLT)

“Then the man – Adam – named his wife Eve, because she would be the mother of all who live.” Genesis 3:20 (NLT)

- _____ **Are Created By God And Are Descended From One Man And One Woman.**

“The Lord doesn’t see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.” I Samuel 16:7 (NLT)

“Then Peter began to speak: I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts man from every nation who fear Him and do what is right.” Acts 10:24 (NIV)

“For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.” Galatians 3:26-28 (NLT)

“... it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and He lives in all of us.”

Colossians 3:11 (NLT)

- **In Christ, there is _____ between people.**

HOW I CAN HELP BRIDGE THE RACIAL DIVIDE?

“... from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view ... Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation ...”

II Corinthians 5:16-18 (NIV)

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SUGGESTED READING

Dee Brown, Bury My Heart At Wounded Knee

Martin Luther King, Letter From Birmingham City Jail

- **copies available by contacting the Church office**

Brent Zuercher and David Anderson, Letters Across The Divide