



How To Neighbor - Week 2
"Racism Reconciled"
Luke 10:25-37
*If we want to see racism
reconciled we have to be
willing to change the road.*



SERMON EXTRAS & FURTHER READING

FOR FURTHER READING:

America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege And A Bridge To A New America - Jim Wallis

The Heart of Racial Justice: How Soul Change Leads to Social Change

Brenda Salter-McNeil

Disunity In Christ: Uncovering the Hidden Forces That Keep Us Apart

Christena Cleveland

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WHAT AUTHORITY DO I HAVE TO SPEAK ON THE ISSUE OF RACIAL RECONCILIATION?

I'M A MIDDLE-AGED WHITE GUY WITH LOADS OF IMPLICIT BIAS—MY HANDS AREN'T CLEAN

I'M FALLING BACK ON THE WORDS OF JEREMIAH... AND TRUSTING GOD'S RESPONSE

TWO PHOTOS—AND A QUESTION

THESE IMAGES WERE TAKEN OVER FIFTY YEARS APART

WE'VE COME A LONG WAY—BUT WE HAVE SO MUCH FARTHER TO GO

LUKE 10:25-37—A DIFFERENT TAKE ON THE GOOD SAMARITAN

FOR JESUS TO USE A SAMARITAN AS THE 'GOOD GUY' IN THIS STORY...

WOULD HAVE BEEN SHOCKING—HARD TO HEAR - 700 YEARS OF HATE

BUT THERE'S SOMETHING DEEPER HERE....

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - HIS TAKE ON THE GOOD SAMARITAN STORY

"I WANT TO CHANGE THE JERICHO ROAD..."

THERE IS NO RACIST GENE—IT'S LEARNED. (DENIS LEARY)

THE ROAD TO JERICHO IS PAVED WITH IGNORANCE, WILLFUL BLINDNESS, FEAR, LACK OF EXPERIENCE, AND SELF-INTEREST.

HOW DO WE CHANGE THE JERICHO ROAD?

IT STARTS WITH US...

1. RECOGNIZE OUR IMPLICIT BIAS AND PREJUDICES AS SIN

JAMES 2:9 - "IF YOU FAVOR SOME PEOPLE OVER OTHERS, YOU ARE COMMITTING A SIN."

2. SEEK TO UNDERSTAND

SURE ALL LIVES MATTER TO GOD—BUT WHAT DO WE DO WHEN SOME OF US ARE HURTING?

3. DEMONSTRATE LOVE

KESHIA THOMAS - 1996 AT A KKK RALLY SAVED A MAN WHO WAS BEING BEATEN

"...PEOPLE WHO HURT... THEY COME FROM HURT. IT'S A CYCLE."

A MEMORY FROM THE 2016 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PC(USA) — (HUMBLEBRAG)

SOMETIMES WE GET TO SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN FULL DISPLAY....

A REVELATION 7:9-10 MOMENT