

RACIAL RECONCILIATION'S ROOTS IN GOD'S WORD

GENESIS TO REVELATION

RACISM: OUR DENIAL THAT GOD HAS MADE ALL PEOPLE IN HIS IMAGE

I New Testament Issues

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| A. Acts 10:28 | The Jewish/Gentile Divide |
| Luke 9:51-56 | The Jewish/Samaritan Divide |
| B. John's discussion of this | in his Gospel |
| C. John 1:29 | "Behold! The Lamb of God <u>who takes away the sin of the world!</u> " |
| D. John 3:16 | " <u>For God so loved the world</u> that He gave His only begotten Son..." |
| E. John 4:3-42 | "But (Jesus) needed to go through Samaria ... We know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world." |

II Old Testament Pictures of God's Heart For The Whole World
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| A. Genesis 1-11 | The Whole World Is in View |
| B. Genesis 12 | Abraham and Job Were Gentiles |
| C. Genesis 12:1-3 | Abraham's Call Was For All Nations |
| D. Genesis 13/14 | Abraham's Friends Were Canaanites |
| E. Genesis 45/50 | Joseph: His Family and The Egyptians |
| F. Genesis 12-50 | From Abraham to Joseph There Were 232 Years Of Peace With their Neighbors—
The Canaanites & Egyptians |
| G. Exodus 3-4 | Moses, The Tri-Cultural Man. "Lord, Who Am I?"
(An Egyptian, Midianite, & Hebrew Heritage) |
| H. Joshua 1-2 | Why Did God Destroy The Canaanites? Is God a Racist?
(See Genesis 15:12-16) |
| I. Joshua 2 | Why Does God Save Rahab, The Canaanite? |
| J. Habakkuk | God Judges All People On The Same Standard |
| K. Jeremiah | God's Evangelist to The Kings Of Judah |
| L. Daniel | God's Evangelist to The Gentile Kings of Babylon and to the Medes/Persians |
| M. Ezekiel | God's Evangelist to The Jews in The Concentration Camps around Babylon |
| N. Esther, Ezra, Nehemiah | --- Contrasted With --- Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Song of
Solomon and Isaiah |

III New Testament Pictures of God's Heart For the Whole World

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| A. Matthew 9:9-13 | Jesus Calls Matthew, The Outcast, to Follow Him |
| B. Matthew 1:1-6 | Tamar, Rahab & Ruth. Why Does Matthew Mention Them in The Genealogy? |
| C. Matthew 2:1-15 | Gentiles Are The First Leaders to Worship Jesus |
| D. Matthew 4:34-25 | This Mixed Ethnic Crowd Is The Audience for The Sermon on The Mount |

- E. Mark 7:24-8:30 Jesus Takes His Disciples on a 3 Week to 3 Month Journey into Gentile Territory. From Tyre & Sidon to The Decapolis Caesarea Phillippi. It Was Here That Jesus Asked, "Who do you say I Am?" Peter's Reply was, "You are the Christ."
- F. Acts 1:8 Witnesses to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria & The Whole Earth
- G. Acts 2 First Fruits From The Whole Earth
- H. Acts 6 The Culture's Racial Tension Are Found in The Church
- I. Acts 8 The First Gentile Convert Mentioned Was an African
- J. Acts 10/11 Peter and The Jerusalem Church Break Through The Jewish/Gentile Wall of Hatred and Separation
- K. Acts 11:19-26 The Antioch Church Is Far Ahead of Jerusalem in Being Multiethnic
- L. Acts 13:1-3 (The Multiethnic Antioch Church)
- M. Acts 15 A Heated Debate at The Jerusalem Council Affirms That The Gentiles Are Also Part of God's Church
- N. Galatians Paul's Strong Affirmation That The Gospel Is for The Gentiles. They Do Not Need to Become Jews to Be Accepted by God.
- O. Ephesians Paul's Hymn of Joy That The Wall Between Jew and Gentile
- P. Ephesians 2:11-18 Has Been Broken Down Through Christ's Blood
"Why Lord have we built the wall up again?"
- Q. Colossians To Be Made in Christ's Image Means Racism Is Not an Option for us
Colossians 3:9-13
- R. Revelation God's Heaven Is for All The People of The Earth He Has Loved and Saved
Revelation 7:11-13

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