

Race & Grace

The Church's Responsibility and Response to Issues of Race

Adult Bible Study Session – 18 June 2023

Edmonds Lane Bible Chapel

Revelation 7:9

(NKJV)

- After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from **every nation, tribe, people and language**, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

Genesis 9:1
(NKJV)

- So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: “**Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.**”

Genesis 10:32
(NKJV)

- These were the families of the sons of Noah, according to their generations, in their nations; and from these **the nations were divided on the earth after the flood.**

Acts 17:26
(NKJV)

- And He has **made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth**, and has determined their pre-appointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings

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Colossians
3:11
(NKJV)

- “where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, **but Christ is all and in all.**”

One Gospel. For All.

- Regardless of the color of our skin, we all have the same roots. That's why we all need the same gospel.
- No human being is more or less human than another.
- Every person is **made in God's image and pursued by His Grace.**

James 2:8
(NKJV)

- If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “**You shall love your neighbor as yourself,**” you do well;

**The work of
the Body of
Christ in a
divided world.**

- The gospel compels us to decry any and all forms of oppression and bigotry.
- We must labor to respect the laws of our country as **responsible citizens** while loving all souls in our communities as **compassionate Christians**.

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John 17:20-23 (NKJV)

- “I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; **that they all may be one**, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; **that they also may be one in Us**, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, **that they may be one just as We are one**: I in them, and You in Me; **that they may be made perfect in one**, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.”