

TAKING RISKS



MISSIONARY

JUNE 28TH LESSON

**REMEMBER TO SPEAK UP AND KEEP
THE CONVERSATION GOING!**

**THIS IS A
VERY
IMPORTANT
TOPIC**



ACTS 17:26

- ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ^[a] ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶ And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷ that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸ for
- “‘In him we live and move and have our being’; ^[b]

I JOHN 4:20

- ²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot^[a] love God whom he has not seen.

SIN

- Therefore, any form of racism, elitism, discrimination, or oppression is not only a social issue, but it's a sin issue at its core. By treating a fellow image-bearer inferior because they are of a different race is sin.
- And if we are going to achieve unity, the first thing we must do is speak honestly. That is, we must call any form of racism, elitism, discrimination or oppression exactly what it is—sin.
- God can only begin the healing and unifying process when sin is addressed. Let's begin to treat each other as image-bearers—people made in the image of God almighty.

A LOT HAS BEEN GOING ON . . . LET'S TALK

- George Perry Floyd Jr. was an African-American man killed during an arrest in Minneapolis, Minnesota. After his death, protests against police violence toward black people quickly spread across the United States and internationally.
- George Floyd Jr. was an American former professional football player who was a defensive back for two seasons with the New York Jets of the National Football League. Over his NFL career, Floyd appeared in seven games during the Jets' 1982 season, including three playoff games, and eight in their 1983 season, with two games started.



ABOUT HOW TO HANDLE WHEN THINGS GO WRONG

A MESSAGE FROM TONY EVANS

imago Dei

- All people, no matter what race, share a common origin in Adam. The book of Acts tells us that all people come from the same source. To take it a step further, when we look at the creation of mankind, we also learn that the triune Godhead created us in His image. In theology, we call this
- *imago Dei*—referring to the concept that humans are created in God's image. An image is a mirror or a reflection. This also means that everybody, regardless of their race or ethnicity, has intrinsic value and worth. Dignity is innate. All humans are born with esteem because they are created in the image of God.--

WHAT CAN WE DO? MICHAEL TODD

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- Being angry & violent does not produce the most fruit.

Take R-I-S-K!

- R – Develop Relationship – but we as an individual must aim to have relationships with people who do not look like us, who may not have the same background as us, or who may not even believe the same way we believe.
- It is time to take a risk and form relationships with people so that God will be pleased even though others you know may not be pleased with it.





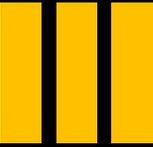
I – BE INTENTIONAL

- The reconciliation we need to see is not going to happen on accident. You have to be intentional to talk about that racism is not right. Racism is learned and is has never been what God intended for mankind. Find things that can help you understand what people are going through when they are not treated right. That is even for friends that you decide you just don't like because they are not exactly like you.
- If you take the risk to be intentional to live expects us to, then things will not change all at once but will begin to line up. Be intentional with your prayer and ask God to give you His heart for them. Praying for our neighbors, people we know, White, Black, Spanish, Asian, Chinese, etc.
- We can make changes starting in our homes, because that's where such things are learned. Be intentional to do the right thing and think the right way.

S – Speak Up



- Use your influence. Regardless of your age you have some level of influence. With many of the people you know, speak about treating people right and treating people like God wants us to.
- The solution can really start with you saying what is right when you have a chance.
- We as believers are to speak up for those who do not have a voice.
- Pray and ask God what you need to say and how to say it.



K- KNOWLEDGE



LEARN ABOUT WHAT YOU DO NOT
KNOW. START IN THE WORD OF GOD!

- NONE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR WORLD IS A SURPRISE TO GOD.
- HE CREATED ALL THINGS AND HE IS FULLY AWARE HOW MAN THINKS.
- HE HAS GIVEN US AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT HIM AND HIS CREATION.
- BUT HE HAS ALSO GIVEN US FREE WILL AND A CHOICE TO CHOOSE LIFE OR DEATH. IT IS UP TO US.
- WE MUST MAKE A CHOICE TO LIVE AS HE HAS TOLD US TO LIVE, BUT WE MUST LEARN FROM HIS WORD.
- CHOSE LIFE, CHOSE TO LEARN OF GOD AND HIS WAYS.
- THE ENEMY WOULD RATHER KEEP YOU IGNORANT AND NOT KNOW.



NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT
WHAT YOU
UNDERSTAND ABOUT
WHAT GOD EXPECTS
FROM YOU...

WHAT CAN YOU DO
DIFFERENTLY TO MAKE
THINGS BETTER?

NEXT LESSON

SUNDAY JULY 26TH



MENTION A MISSION