



A Lack of Understanding Robert Morris

Focus Disliking people because of their race or ethnicity is wrong. God wants us to love each other as He has loved us. He wants to redeem others, as He has redeemed us. We are *all* God's creations.

Fun If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would that be?

Review Key Scriptures: Hosea 4:6; John 3:16; Revelation 5:9

1. Racism is pure evil.

We are to love without judging and abhor what is evil (Romans 12:9).

2. Racism is pure self-righteousness.

One race should not think it is superior to another (Luke 18:11).

3. Racism violates the great commission.

We are to make disciples of *all* people (Matthew 28:19).

4. Racism violates the great commandment.

It is our love that distinguishes us from others (John 13:34).

5. Racism questions God's creation.

We are all of one blood (Acts 17:26).

6. Racism questions God's plan.

God's plan is to redeem people from every nation (Revelation 5:9).

7. Racism questions God.

Racism defies what God's Word tells us (John 3:16).

Group Dynamics Idea As a group, think of ways you can help others grow in their relationship with the Lord, then ask Him for the opportunity to put these ideas into action.

Discuss

1. What is the definition of prejudice? How does prejudice affect our actions?
2. God created a diverse race of people, yet some regard others as inferior to themselves. What factors do you think contribute to this attitude?
3. Explain what “love without hypocrisy” (Romans 12:9) means.
4. We can be defiant toward God by questioning His word. Have you ever caught yourself displaying a defiant attitude? What opened your eyes to this?
5. What is God’s perfect plan for the nations and the world? (See John 3:16; Revelation 5:9)
6. In the message Pastor Robert said, “If we do not condemn evil, we condone it.” What can we personally do to address prejudice when we see it?

Take Home As we conclude, remember the following:

- Prejudice can come from lack of understanding.
- We are to love others as God has loved us.
- God wants to redeem every tribe and nation.
- When we do not condemn evil, we condone it.

Prayer Jesus, help me to love others as You have loved me. I want to be that light in a world that can seem very dark at times. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

New Leader Tip Gateway Church offers us opportunities where we can walk out John 13:35: “By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” For ways to serve God’s people locally and internationally, visit trips.gatewaypeople.com.