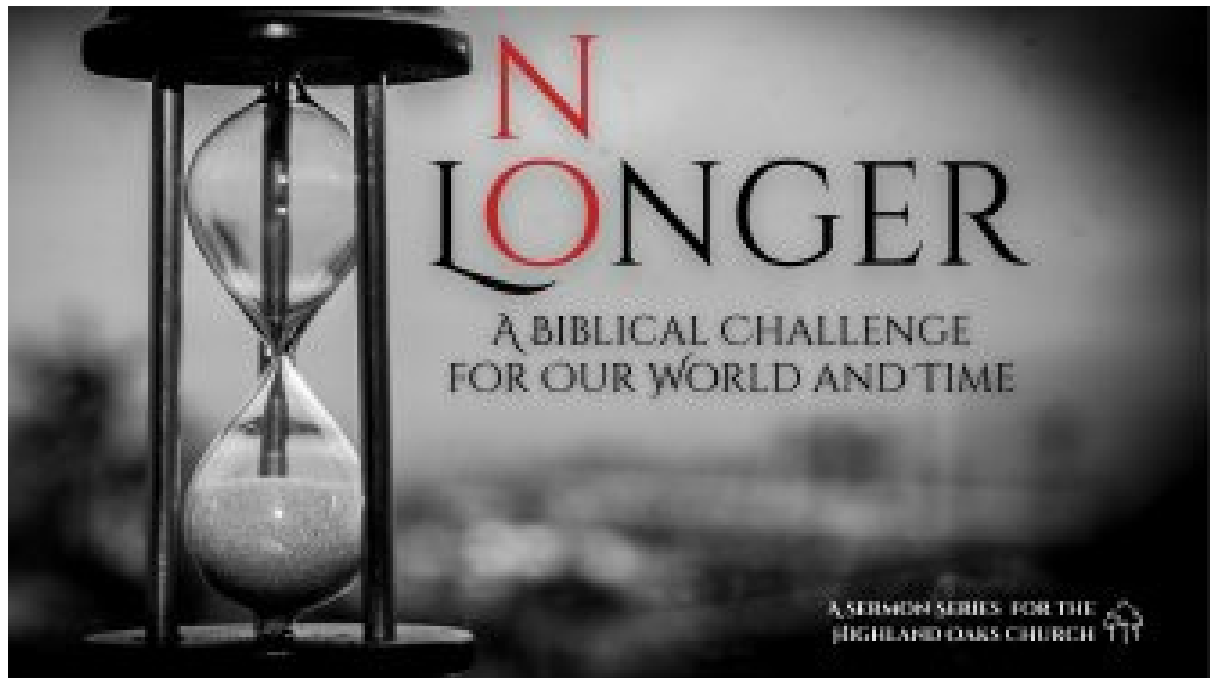


A Plea for Racial Reconciliation

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This morning we explore the hard conversation of racial reconciliation. Beginning with Galatians we will look at the entire story of scripture and how God's desire in Jesus and the church was for us to be a people against racism in all its forms. Here are a few notes for you to follow along this morning:

Pat began by talking about several examples of racism from his own life and in our culture. How have you seen race in your past, present, and even in your church experience?

What is the definition of racism that was given? Do you agree or disagree? Why?

What role do you think silence plays in keeping racism alive in our churches?

List the "three legs of the stool" that we learn upon:

How does the story of Abraham from Genesis 12 remind us of God's intention for the world?

There are several stories of Jesus and his model for racial reconciliation. Which story stands out to you the most?

And thinking about the church in the book of Acts, what role did the Holy Spirit play as they embraced people who were different?

As we look at specific things Highland Oaks will do to continue the process of racial reconciliation, which of those things mentioned excites you the most? Which one scares you the most?

Personal Notes: