

LIKE JESUS
New Blood in the Church, Pt. 1
~Jews, Greeks, Samaritans, Africans & Saul~
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Red, Yellow, Black and White...

Getting in on God's Story for our world requires us to repent!
We must lay down our prejudices and genuinely learn to love and be in community
with people who differ from us culturally, socially and racially!

GOD's Story— New Blood in the Church, Pt. 1—Acts 6-9
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Acts 6—Greek believers neglected. Cultural tension. What to do?

Acts 7—Stephen, a powerful, Greek speaking Jewish leader eliminated!

Acts 8—Persecution, the Catalyst for Growth! From Samaria to Africa!

Acts 9—Jesus chooses Saul. The hater, persecutor now Apostle to the Gentiles!

- The rest of the story—Acts 26:14-18

- No More Division! Ephesians 2:11-19

BIG Idea:

God's Family on earth has no cultural, social, racial boundaries!
His promise to Abraham was to bless ALL PEOPLES on earth!
(Genesis 12:3)

"God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son,
that WHOEVER believes in him shall not perish
but live forever!"
(John 3:16)

Right On!

O.T. Scripture: Isaiah 49:1-6