



## **Human Race** **June 28, 2020**

### **I. God created EVERYONE with DIGNITY.**

#### **Genesis 1:26**

*“Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness..”*

**Psalm 139:14** *“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.”*

#### **Psalms 8:3-5**

*“When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?*

*<sup>5</sup> You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.”*

### **II. God loves EVERYONE equally.**

**John 3:16** *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”*

### **III. We are Commanded to Love God**

**Matthew 22:37-38** *Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all **your heart** and with all **your soul** and with all **your mind**.’ This is the first and greatest commandment....”*

### **IV. We are Commanded to Love others.**

**Matthew 22:39-40** *...And the second is like it: ‘Love **your neighbor** as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”*

## Examine your Heart

**I John 4:20** *“Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.”*

**John 13:34-35** *“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*

**WE ARE CHRISTIANS FIRST** - there is no place for prejudice or bigotry in the life of a Christian.

### **Racism:**

The belief that one is superior to another based on skin color.

The issue is not a **skin issue**, it's a **SIN** issue.

**James 2:9** *“But if you show favoritism, you SIN and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers.”*

**Ephesians 6:12** *“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”*

**John 10:10** *“The thief comes only to **steal and kill and destroy**; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”*

**I Peter 5:8** *“**Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.**”*

## **V. We are all a part of the HUMAN RACE**

**John 7:24** *“Stop judging by mere appearances, but instead judge correctly.”*

**Romans 2:11** *“For God does not show favoritism.”*

**Romans 10:12** “For there is **no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all** and richly blesses all who call on him,”

**Galatians 3:28** “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for **you are all one in Christ Jesus.**”

**2 Corinthians 5:16-20** “So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: The old has gone, the new is here! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup> that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.”

