

MESSAGE GOAL

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step.

▶ **MAIN IDEA**

God wants us to fight for racial unity.

▶ **HEAD CHANGE**

I will recognize that every human being has God-given value.

▶ **HEART CHANGE**

I will genuinely care for every individual regardless of race.

▶ **LIFE CHANGE**

I will be an advocate for equality.

Read

Ephesians 2:13-22

Proverbs 31:8

1 Corinthians 9:20-23

Have you experienced real unity within diversity?

Do you believe the church is blocking the Glory of God by its division?

The Kingdom of God values our diversity more than our culture does. What does it look like to value diversity?

How do you relate to the idea that culture sometimes determines your actions more than your faith?

How would you like to see Christians speak out concerning racial oneness in the church and in society?

Challenge: Would you prayerfully consider conversing with someone outside this group about this topic? It could be a spouse, a friend, coworker, or other trusted person.

OPEN QUESTIONS

What is one of the hardest things you have ever done? Were you glad afterwards that you did it?

Read

James 1:1-10

What part of this message do you feel that you really needed to hear? (Did you gain a specific insight into YOUR life? What challenged you?)

The goal of racial unity is not sameness, but oneness. What does that mean to you?

James 2:1-10 describes sinful discrimination in the early church that was strongly condemned. How do we consciously or unconsciously discriminate?
