

VERBATIM: Race

Acts 10:9-16

Discuss Together:

What fears or feelings do you have as we move toward the anniversary of George Floyd's death?

Our Commonality:

We share a common Creator. Read Acts 17:24-25.

? Who gave breath to all mankind?

We share a common existence. Read Acts 17:26.

? Over what and whom is God sovereign?

We share a common yearning. Read Acts 17:27.

? What are people seeking?

How does remembering these 3 commonalities change the way we enter into conversations with other people about race and racism?

The Sin of Racism: Partiality Distorts Reality

Read James 2:1-4, 8-12.

- ? In verse 11, under which sin could the sin of racism be categorized?
- ? How does partiality diminish God's image bearers?
- ? How does partiality dismiss the Creator?
- ? How does partiality destroy community?

Celebrate Diversity:

Read Acts 10:25-29.

? What does God show to Peter?

Read Acts 10:34-36.

? What does Peter tell the people?

Application:

- ? What happens when you are only in community with people who are just like you? How does diversity bring value to community?
- ? Where do you find yourself being partial to those who are like you?
- ? Do you have conversations with people who are <u>not</u> like you?
- ? How can you offer the hope of the gospel into the conversation on race?