

## **Special Message: Love Thy Neighbor**

Prejudice, bigotry, and racism are human struggles that have been common throughout history in all nations and people groups. Because of this reality, each generation must fight against it. So, how do we love our neighbor?

Bottom Line: Racism is a sin and has no place in the Church or life of a disciple of Jesus.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Have you ever experienced any kind of discrimination or prejudice? How did you handle it?
- 2. What message about race did you receive from your family of origin?
- 3. Who are the people you were taught to fear? Who are the people you were taught were beneath you?
- 4. **Read Luke 10:25-37**. The Good Samaritan had to cross a literal street and a racial divide to love his neighbor. What challenges you about this story? To love your neighbors well, what barriers do you need to cross?
- 5. Share an experience that helped you understand things from the perspective of another race.
- 6. What can you do this week to step toward unity with someone who is not like you?
- 7. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
- 8. How can the group encourage you this week?