

UNSHAKABLE KINGDOM #16
Exposing the Spirit of Antichrist

Racism: The Christian Solution

Part Two

VIDEO

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Introduction

For the 2nd time in our history, the very existence of our nation, as founded, is being threatened from within by Civil War.

During the 1st Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln quoted the words of the Lord Jesus Christ in the gospels....

Abraham Lincoln

“A house divided against itself cannot stand.”

In the 1st Civil War, the dividing issue was slavery; it was a racial issue.
Today, history is threatening to repeat itself in a 2nd Civil War
And once again, it is a racial issue.

The challenge for the church is to wake up and recognize that we are not wrestling with ‘flesh and blood’.

Theme

The spirit of antichrist, working through those who would turn America into a socialist nation, is (once again) seeking to divide us on the issue of race.

- God’s people need to define the issue
 - Expose the strategy
 - Provide the Christian solution

I. Racism: The Christian Solution

A. We Need to Begin With Some Definitions

1. Just what is ‘racism’?

RACISM

Prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people on the basis of their membership of a particular racial or ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized.

- a. Racism is ‘prejudice’; a compound of 2 words: pre + judgment.
- b. Racism springs forth out of...

RACISM

The belief that different races possess distinct characteristics, abilities, or qualities, especially so as to distinguish them as inferior or superior to one another.

- c. To judge another person on the basis of skin color is racist...
2. “Racist” is a term can be used as a noun or adjective.

Racist

(As a noun)

A racist is a person who shows or feels discrimination or prejudice against people of other races, or who believes that a particular race is superior to another.

- a. When used as an adjective, ‘racist’ can describe.....

Racist

(As an adjective)

That which shows or represents discrimination or prejudice against people of other races, or implies that a particular race is superior to another.

3. **The socialists are using the power of ‘political correctness’ to control the conversation and divide us by turning everything into a racial thing.**

- a. The socialists have succeeded in reducing the culture to measuring all things into a racial thing, judged on the basis of “political correctness”?

Political Correctness

The avoidance of forms of expression or action that are perceived to exclude, marginalize or insult groups of people who are socially disadvantaged or discriminated against.

4. This sounds like a good thing; even a Christian thing; avoiding the kind of language or actions that insult other people.

Colossians 4:5-6

Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.

5. But the socialists have now succeeded in turning common courtesy toward others into...

B. Political Correctness: The Insanity That Never Stops

1. Look at the entertainment world:

a. **Lady Antebellum** changed their name to “Lady A” because “Antebellum” might be offensive to African-Americans. (Antebellum simply means occurring or existing before the Civil War. So sightseeing at an ‘antebellum’ plantation is racist?.

b. **Not to be outdone, the Dixie Chicks** have now changed their name to “The Chicks” because the word “Dixie” might be considered racist. (Someone needs to tell this group that when I was growing up it was a putdown to call a girl a ‘chick’!

c. **HBO pulled the classic movie “Gone With the Wind”** because of its romanticized depiction of the South during the Civil War.

d. **Guess nobody cares that Hattie McDaniel** was the first African-American to win an Academy Award for her role in the film! Then there’s...

e. **“Hamilton”-the Broadway smash hit was hailed a masterpiece with its rap music and using black actors to play the roles of some of America’s founding fathers. (Now it has been condemned as ‘racist’ by the very people who praised it 5 years ago!)**

2. **Then we have PC in the grocery stores; with the removal of old friends we grew up with:** We have to say good bye to old friends with...

a. Black faces: Cream of Wheat; Uncle Ben’s Rice; Aunt Jemima; and hey, don’t leave out offending Native Americans! The Land of Lakes Indian maiden has to go! I grew up eating Aunt Jemima pancakes and eating Cream of Wheat with Land o Lakes butter on it. I loved these faces. It never occurred to me to think I was superior to them.

3. **Now the pressure has spilled over to the world of sports:**

- One of the 1st casualties of racial PC was Chief Yahoo, the mascot emblem of baseball's Cleveland Indians since 1932.
- **But now the war cry is out to rename the Cleveland team itself**, along with the Washington Redskins, the Atlanta Braves, and even the Texas Rangers (because of how they treated some Native Americans)!

4. The insanity never stops. Black Lives Matter, which is itself a racist hate group, accuses our police departments of racism; so...

- **The delightful cartoon show "Paw Patrol" was canceled** because it was 'too positive' in its depiction of policemen. (Never mind that 99% of police force interactions are positive!) Black Lives Matter has successfully connected the police with racism. So much so that...
- **Lego Toys was forced to stop marketing their 'Police Station' model** (By all means, little Johnny's white parents must not allow little Johnny to build a Police Station out of Legos-he might become a racist!)

4. The insanity never stops. And it's getting more serious. The socialists now want us to rename our cities!

- **St. Louis, MO**-Citizens are signing a petition to change the name of the City of St. Louis and remove the statue of its namesake, King Louis IX because some say he was an anti-Semite and an Islamophobe.
- **Columbus, OH**-17,000 citizens have signed a petition to change the name of the city and have removed the statue of Christopher Columbus from the courthouse for his 'cruelty to native Americans'.

(What's next? Lynchburg, VA?)

5. The point is this: **The socialists have succeeded in turning everything into a racial thing. They accuse others of the racism of which they themselves are guilty.**

6. Socialists have been so successful in convicting the culture of racism that they are now seeking to rewrite American history!

a. They are now telling us that America is a hopelessly racist nation; that we are guilty of ‘systemic’ racism.

Systemic Racism

Systems in place that create and maintain racial inequality in nearly every facet of life for people of color.

b. Some believe we are rotten to the core.

Derrick Johnson

President of NAACP

"This is not about one incident, this is about the systemic and pervasive nature of racism in this nation that must be addressed."

c. Some equate American racism with white supremacy.

Glenn Harris

"Systemic racism is (another name for) the process of white supremacy."

7. All these accusations have come together in something called...

C. The 1619 Project

1. What is it?

The 1619 Project

An ongoing project created by Pulitzer Prize winning New York Times journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones, that seeks to rewrite the history of the United States.

The Plan

The plan is to challenge the notion that American history began in 1776. According to the 1619 Project, America was not founded in 1776. It was launched to mark the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first African slaves in Virginia in 1619.

2. The Project posts articles or essays by New York Times writers on how “different aspects of American life have roots in slavery and its aftermath.”

a. Here are some essay titles:

“How Segregation Caused Your Traffic Jam” by Kevin Kruse
“Why Doesn’t America Have Universal Health Care? One Word: Race” by
Jeneen Interlandi
“Why American Prisons Owe Their Cruelty to Slavery” by Bryan Stevenson

3. The 1619 Project accuses America of systemic racism at the same time it is racist to the core; blaming virtually everything that is wrong in America on the fact that slavery was a part of our early beginnings.

4. The Project curriculum is already being used in 1000’s of American classrooms and public schools training the next generation to see everything through the eyes of racial injustice.

5. The race issue is all around us and can feel overwhelming! But we have one weapon to overcome it...

II. The Truth

A. America is NOT a Racist Nation

1. There are racists in America; but America is not a racist nation; and it never has been.

2. While it is true that some of our Founding Fathers owned slaves, but it is also true that one of them wrote these wonderful words:

Thomas Jefferson

“We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

a. The first President of the United States freed his slaves.

b. The second President of the United States, who did not own slaves wrote this:

John Adams

“Every measure of prudence ought to be assumed for the elimination of slavery from the United States. I have, throughout my whole life, held the practice of slavery in abhorrence.”

3. Our founding fathers, though far from perfect, gave birth to a nation that would know how to improve itself. The great French historian said this:

Alexis de Tocqueville

“The greatness of America lies not in being more enlightened than any other Nation, but rather in her ability to repair her faults.”

4. How can we be a racist nation when we are the freest people on earth?

Dennis Prager

“The greatest libel today is that the United States is a racist nation.”

Dennis Prager

“This is truly a non-racist country. There are racists in it, but that’s different. I’m a Jew. There are anti-Semites in America. But America is the greatest country Jews have ever lived in, outside Israel, in their history.”

5. The socialists want to sell us the lie that white people are the only ones who think we are not a racist nation. But watch this:

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6. The socialist strategy is to present African-Americans as victims and white Americans as supremacists. So nothing can disarm these charges more powerfully than when black voices speak out.

a. This is why talk show host Glenn Beck said this:

Glenn Beck

“I believe that eventually, it will be the black community that saves us.”

a. Black lives matter; but black voices matter, too-more than ever.

7. But the most important voice is God’s voice; the Word of truth. The only permanent solution to racism is the Christian solution.

III. Racism: The Christian Solution

A. One of the Master Keys to New Testament Revelation

1. God gave the Apostle Paul the revelation of the great mystery of how God views race.

1 Corinthians 15:45-47 (NASB)

45 So also it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural; then the spiritual. 47 The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man is from heaven.

2. When God looks at men He sees 2 races; not based on color.

God Sees 2 Men

<u>Adam</u>	<u>Christ</u>
The 1 st Adam	The last Adam
The 'first man'	The '2 nd man'
A 'living soul'	A 'life-giving spirit'
A 'natural man'	A 'spiritual man'
A man of the flesh	A man of the Spirit

3. God sees these 2 men (2 Adam's) as the "Heads" of 2 races; and it has nothing to do with skin color, ethnicity, or nationality; it is a spiritual matter of birth.

- a. All men are born 'in Adam'; born of the flesh
- b. Some are 'born again'; 'into' Christ' born of the Spirit

4. Our birth determines our destiny:

1 Corinthians 15:48-50 (NASB)

As is the earthy, so also are those who are earthy; and as is the heavenly, so also are those who are heavenly. And just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

5. This is why Paul could say...

2 Corinthians 5:14-16

For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this; that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, that they who live should no longer live

for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.
Therefore from now on we recognize no man according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.

2 Corinthians 5:16

Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. NKJV
Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh. KJV
So we have stopped evaluating others from a human point of view. NLT

6. The Christian solution to racism is to see men as God sees men; not according to color; but according to the Spirit.

7. It IS possible to be delivered from racism and set others free as well!

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