

DEAR PARENTS

We want to partner with you to lead your junior high / high school student through their faith journey. We know it can be challenging, and you might not know where to start. Don't worry! Here are some questions that you can ask your student after groups tonight to kick-start the conversation.



ASK: How would you describe racism? Where and how have you seen it play out?

- *Racism is the diminishing of the worth/dignity given to someone made in the image of God because of their ethnicity, culture, language, place of birth, or color of their skin. It can play out consciously/blatantly, and subconsciously in small ways (biases, stereo types, etc.).*

ASK: The events in our country this year have further proven that racial tension and racism exists. How do we as followers of Jesus explain where racism starts?

- *Racism is just one of many ways that sin plays out in our hearts and the world. Sin has broken and fractured our relationship to God and in turn, our relationship with one another. We are all not immune to the ways that sin can creep into our hearts.*

ASK: Why is racism an issue that followers of Jesus should care about?

- *When we are saved by Christ, he makes us brothers and sisters. The Gospel saves us to Christ and one another. It calls us to love and serve other people the same way we would care for ourselves.*

ASK: How does the Gospel help us in our fight against racism?

- *It not only calls us to fight for justice for those made in his image (from womb to tomb), it also is the cure for the root of racism (sin). It gives us hope that Christ will one day all wrong things right.*