

1 Samuel 16:7

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

I chose scripture from **1 Samuel 16** to introduce this discussion on racism within Christianity because, based on my life experiences, biblical teachings, and the diversity within my family, I know that racism cannot exist in the Body of Christ. Racism undermines the very foundation of Christianity; we are called to look beyond race and color to recognize the spirit within each individual, just as God sees them. Racism is both ignorant and foolish; those who harbor such beliefs embody the definition of the fool described in Proverbs. I want to clarify that I do not harbor hatred for white people; I reject racism in all its forms. However, I live in America, where white racist men hold all of the power. They set the rules and draft the laws to further their racist agenda against minorities and the poor.

We are actively witnessing the implementation of their policies and agendas in 2025. It pains me to see Christians supporting these cruel, hateful, and racist individuals. While racism will always exist outside the church—reflecting the evil world we live in—it should never manifest within the church. I condemn all who embrace the cross of Christ while harboring bigoted and racist beliefs in their hearts. Labels mean nothing to God; white Christian nationalism is merely another term for white racism. In my view, those who practice this false religion are no different from members of the KKK, Nazis, or other white supremacist organizations. From my perspective, they all represent the same racist ideology.

1 Corinthians 12:24-25

But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that *part* which lacks it, that there should be no schism in the body, but *that* the members should have the same care for one another.

A “schism” refers to a division between people or religious denominations. Racism and sexism are prevalent within the Christian church. Many white evangelicals, approximately two-thirds, hold beliefs aligned with white Christian nationalism. They stand united with all other white racist groups who support the MAGA movement and Republicans. Images of a white Jesus are prevalent in Christianity, and scripture is often misinterpreted to support false beliefs. In **Revelation 1:13-15**, John describes “**One like the Son of Man**” with a white head and hair, but he also mentions that He has feet like “fine brass” refined in a furnace; it's a metaphor. Perhaps this imagery contributes to the racists' misguided belief in white superiority. Moreover, the scene was a vision; the disciples actually saw Christ as a man after His resurrection. Scripture doesn't describe Jesus as having flaming eyes and white hair; this description could also apply to an albino. I want to point out that racism exists among all people; I've seen and experienced it with both black and white individuals my entire life. Thine Universal Church represents the DEI Jesus Christ taught in the Gospel.

Matthew 25:44-46

“Then they also will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?’ Then He will answer them, saying, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.’ And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

God banned imagery of heavenly things with the Second Commandment because He understands the true nature of humanity. In a diverse world with many skin tones, those whose skin tone matches that of Christ will claim Him as their own and adopt a 'favored' and chosen position among believers. If the Bible actually declared Jesus to be white, does that imply He prefers white people? Conversely, if Jesus were portrayed as a dark-skinned Black man, would we see Black popes leading the Catholic Church? God is associated with white light and white robes, symbolizing cleanliness from sin, while Satan is linked to darkness and blackness. Society has taught us that white represents righteousness and goodness, while black signifies evil and wrongdoing. Another example is how we view black magic as evil and white magic as beneficial and good. Satan has managed to manipulate humans' perception of black and white as labels for evil and righteousness. The devil knows we are creatures of spirit, and our skin color is the least significant attribute God sees, but he also knows most people can't see beyond skin color.

Satan uses racism to divide and conquer God's people. Children aren't born with the ability to hate; they're taught this behavior by parents and other influences in their lives. In **Matthew 25:44-46**, Jesus serves as a metaphor for every starving, thirsty, sick, naked, or imprisoned person and child in the world. The disciples are taken aback, as they would never withhold anything from Jesus—he's their friend, and they share a cultural connection as Jews from the same region. They are familiar with Christ, so of course they would help him. But how would they treat the stranger? How would they respond to a neighbor who is sick, hungry, or lacking basic needs? Jesus highlights the hypocrisy of meeting the needs of one's own kind while ignoring those of others who may belong to a different social class or race. Is the life of a white child more important than the life of a Black child? Absolutely not! What color is a person's spirit or soul? Yes, it's a stupid question!

Racism has never made sense to me. According to AncestryDNA, I'm 51% African and 49% European, and both of my parents are also of mixed race. All four of my grandparents were of mixed race, as I descend from several white slave owners. I have children with white, black, and mixed-race women, resulting in children and grandchildren of every skin color. One of my children married a Hispanic man, so I have two grandchildren from that union. Over many generations, my family has represented every shade of skin. I'm light-skinned with dark brown and halfway nappy hair that's turning white; I could never pass for a white man. I'll always be treated as a black man in America; plus my birth certificate says I'm Negro.

Isaiah 19:22-25

And the LORD will strike Egypt, He will strike and heal *it*; they will return to the LORD, and He will be entreated by them and heal them. In that day there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian will come into Egypt and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians will serve with the Assyrians. In that day Israel will be one of three with Egypt and Assyria—a blessing in the midst of the land, whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, “Blessed is Egypt My people, and Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel My inheritance.”

Jesus Christ validated the prophets and their words in Scripture through His fulfillment of their prophecies. The Bible contains over 2,000 fulfilled prophecies, with approximately 500 still to come. Until proven otherwise, I'll maintain my trust in prophecy and the words of the prophets. One particular prophecy from **Isaiah 19** remains unfulfilled and points to a future time when three diverse nations—Egypt, Assyria, and Israel—will be united and blessed by God. I had never heard this information in a sermon before, but I haven't been to church since 2010. The skin colors of Egyptians, Assyrians, and Jews vary widely, encompassing every shade. This scripture serves as a metaphor for the Body of Christ, the Church, which represents all races and skin tones, emphasizing that God shows no favoritism based on physical appearance. Furthermore, the second commandment instructs us not to create likenesses of anything that is in heaven above, including depictions of a white Jesus, for this reason.

The color of our temple doesn't matter; this isn't a mystery for Christians who genuinely walk with Christ. I do recognize that my statements may offend some individuals, particularly white supremacists and racists. If you're a true Christian who loves Christ, you know my words about race are directed at the wicked racist, especially people who wear the Cross of Christ. God examines our hearts, minds, and souls to distinguish the goats from the sheep; this serves as the true test of righteousness. Are you a sheep or a goat? The goats, not the sheep, will find my words offensive and become angry; the sheep will recognize the words of their brethren! All white racist Christian nationalists are deceptive goats; these false Christians who profess to follow Christ will remain goats until they repent and seek true salvation. All forms of racism offend the Gospel of Christ and ban individuals from access to God and the Kingdom of Heaven.

In this scripture from **Isaiah 19**, God refers to Egypt, the land of Ham, and people of color as "My People." This verse makes complete sense to me and should settle any debate about racism in Christianity, but sadly it won't. Historically, white people in authority have tended to rewrite narratives to elevate their "holiness" over people of color; this results in a false sense of racial and spiritual superiority. I have a 12th-grade education and some technical expertise in electronics along with a basic understanding of DNA and genetics. Nevertheless, I rely on simple logic to support my belief that Adam and Eve had black skin and the highest level of melanin possible. This statement shouldn't offend Christians who love God!

Isaiah 56:6-8

Also the sons of the foreigner who join themselves to the Lord, to serve Him, and to love the name of the Lord, to be His servants—Everyone who keeps from defiling the Sabbath, and holds fast My covenant—Even them I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations.” The Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, says, “Yet I will gather to him others besides those who are gathered to him.”

I want to strongly reiterate how foolish and ignorant racism is for any person who claims to be a Christian! My brothers and sisters in Christ could care less what Jesus or God looks like and even less about the color of a person's skin. We know Jesus will appear as a man; what we don't know is what the color of His skin will be. Can you imagine if Jesus returned as a dark-skinned Black man? When we were waiting to select a new pope, I thought it would be a great test of true faith for the Catholic Church if they elected a Black pope; how would the people accept him? The images of every pope we've had convey a consistent narrative. Men with white or light skin have always dominated the hierarchy in our Christian churches. Nevertheless, I was pleasantly surprised that Pope Leo XIV has a some African DNA in his family and that we were born near each other in Chicago.

The discussion about race does not really center on Adam and Eve, as we are all descended from Noah and his sons: Ham, Japheth, and Seth. This means that either Noah or his wife, or both, must have carried the genes for dark skin; otherwise, the world would consist solely of white people. In my lifetime, I have never seen a child born with dark skin unless a parent also had dark skin. But I have a cousin born with light-skin that turned many shades darker as an adult. I've seen African traits show up later in life in my own children. I have a daughter whose skin is darker than mine because her mother is Black, and I have a son whose skin is lighter because his mother is white. I have never seen two white Europeans have a dark-skinned child, but I have observed two Black parents have a child with lighter skin, including albino children. For a white person to have a Black child, they must carry the gene for dark skin, indicating they have a Black ancestor. This concept does not require a degree in genetics.

In the scripture from **Isaiah 56:6**, God establishes some requirements to enter the Kingdom. We show our love for God by obeying the law and uniting with the Holy Spirit. Christ will use His angels to search for individuals across the world's churches who possess His Holy Spirit, regardless of their appearance, location, or social class. Christians who harbor a racist superiority complex will be labeled as goats and disregarded; the Good Shepherd is coming to gather His sheep who recognize His voice, not goats. Believers who ignore the teachings of the Gospel and persist in sin will not receive the Holy Spirit or inherit the Kingdom; they will face death and God's judgment. They've chosen a life on earth over eternal life.

1 John 4:20-21

If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also.

Jesus will not return as either a white man or a Black man; He's likely to appear in the same body shown to the disciples after His resurrection with olive to light-brown skin. Before reading biblical scripture, I explored Gnostic and non-canonical texts, such as the Books of Enoch. In the "Book of Secrets," Lamech, Noah's father, recounts that Noah was born looking different from his family, leading him to believe that Noah was the child of an angel rather than him. This could imply that Noah had light or white skin and might have been albino, as angels are often associated with whiteness and light. Lamech sought reassurance from his grandfather, Enoch, to confirm that Noah was his child. However, we know that Noah and/or his wife was a person of color and not white, especially because of his grandson Canaan and son, Ham's dark skin.

Noah carried the genes for dark skin, enabling his children and grandchildren to have black skin. Biblical scholars generally agree that Shem is the ancestor of all olive-skinned Asians, Japheth is the ancestor of pale-skinned Europeans, and Ham is the ancestor of darker-skinned Africans. I considered discussing how "The curse of Ham" was used to justify the slavery of black Africans, but the concept is so absurd that I decided to skip it. Nonetheless, the fact that Ham had dark skin is significant to me; he also had two other brothers with a similar genetic profile. Current research indicates that full siblings can share as little as 37 percent or as much as 65 percent of their genetic variants. Every son of Noah carried African DNA. I believe that all three sons of Noah could have different skin tones, as I've seen this diversity in my family. My daughter, who resembles my Caucasian ex-wife, has 25% African DNA and can pass for a white woman. In contrast, her sister has a darker skin tone, hair like mine, and appears mixed-race. It's crucial to note that every racist throughout history has a Black ancestor in their lineage, whether from Ham, Japheth, or Seth. I feel it's important to highlight this point.

I'd like to briefly discuss the twins, Jacob and Esau, born to Isaac. Most people are familiar with the story: Esau was born with red skin and was quite hairy, while Jacob had smooth skin. Some people associate Jacob's smooth skin with the darker skin of Ethiopians mentioned in [Isaiah 18:7](#). Where I grew up in the 1970s, light-skinned individuals like me were often referred to as "red-boned" or "high-yellow." I was often called both as a youth, but only by black folks, never by a white person. White people have never referred to me as "red," never once, probably because of their own reddish undertones. While Jacob may not have had dark skin, he was still a person of color. The challenge for Christians and humanity, in general, is to look beyond physical appearance and recognize the spirit and character of others, including those who may seem alien, foreign, or unfamiliar. What if the face of God was terrifying like a monster or alien?

Revelation 22:3

And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads.

I could write another ten pages on racism, but I believe I have adequately supported my views and emphasized that all forms of racism undermine the foundation of Christianity and offend God. He chose this planet and the Holy Land of Israel to dwell with mankind and Jesus Christ, the Lamb, forever.

And He said to me, "Son of man, this is the place of My throne and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever. Ezekiel 43:7

Jesus will first appear to establish the Millennial Kingdom on Earth for 1,000 years; this marks the first judgment. There will still be sin in the world outside the gates of the Kingdom. After the second judgment and final death, all sin will be removed from the earth. This is when our God, the King of the Universe, will come to live with us in the New Jerusalem. I want to note that God won't come to rest on earth until all sin is removed from the world by His Son, and only His sons and daughters remain. Only then will we be able to behold the true face of God!

"But He said, 'You cannot see My face, for no man shall see Me and live.'" And the LORD said, "Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen." Exodus 33:20-23

God hid His face from Moses to protect Him from death!

While Moses was allowed to see God's backside as He passed by, he was not permitted to see His face. Other biblical non-canonical texts shed some light on the subject. According to what I've read, Enoch is believed to be the only person who saw the true face of God in a vision. Although this account is not part of the biblical text, it aligns with scripture as a possibility. In the Books of the Secrets of Enoch, it is written, "Thus I saw the Lord's face, but the Lord's face is ineffable, marvelous, and very awful, and very, very terrible."

It appears to me that Christians are being prepared to see God's true face and behold His glory. Revelation 22:3 describes the time when the children of the Kingdom will be able to see God's face. Every soul that enters the Kingdom has passed a significant test in life by learning to look past the flesh and recognize the spirit within the body. They have learned to judge people by the content of their character, words, actions, and deeds, rather than by the color of their skin. Christians who embrace this lesson and achieve salvation before death will be granted a new eternal body that will serve God and Christ in pure love, regardless of how foreign or alien He may appear. Humans share 99.9% of our DNA, but racist people only see our skin and other physical traits; this offends the God I serve! White racist individuals who claim to be Christians will ultimately learn this lesson when Christ passes over them and ignores their kind.

2 Corinthians 10:7

Do you look at things according to the outward appearance? If anyone is convinced in himself that he is Christ's, let him again consider this in himself, that just as he is Christ's, even so we are Christ's.

The purpose and test of human life on Earth is to overcome our prejudices and biases toward the foreigner, the alien, or the stranger; there is a substantial reward for those who pass this test. The Gospel of Christ has provided mankind with the keys to the Kingdom and the fundamental rule for life: to love one another. The "Golden Rule" leads to eternal life in the Kingdom. Jesus serves as our pattern for how to treat others, behave, and serve God. Christians ask themselves, "What would Jesus do or say in this situation?" and then we listen to our heart for the answer. Even for those who don't believe in God, He's given us a conscience to help guide our decisions; people basically know right from wrong.

James 4:17—Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.

I KNOW that God is love, and He appreciates beauty; just look at the world and all He has created for us. God embodies compassion, empathy, kindness, forgiveness, grace, mercy, and countless other wonderful attributes; love is the essence of God for His obedient children! However, God also expresses wrath and executes destruction toward those who harbor hatred based on appearance or class. My "kind" is mankind, including all who embrace the Golden Rule. Thine Universal Church welcomes all foreigners, aliens, immigrants and strangers. We assess individuals based on their behavior, words, actions, and deeds, and NEVER based on the color of their skin, sexuality, gender, religion, race, or creed. Christians are called to discern between the righteous and wicked people by seeing the spirit within them; we test the spirits by the Gospel of Christ.

Racism separates believers from God and serves Satan's purpose by dividing the Church. The devil aims to prevent Christian churches from uniting in strength and power against him. Division is a tactic of war, and racism is one of many tools used to divide us by hate, which weakens the power of the righteous. There is no place for racism in the Body of Christ. I've previously stated that when Christ returns to claim the Church, He'll gather every Christian filled with the Holy Spirit from every corner of the earth. Jesus is gathering together the sealed Christians of the world as His Church. Many Christians think they are sealed, but if you have any racist thoughts, you're still in sin and haven't been approved by Christ.

1 John 3:9

Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

I make this promise to every white Christian who's offended or angry by my words about racism and skin color; you DO NOT have the Holy Spirit of Christ within you no matter what you may claim or what you've been taught.

Thine Universal Church teaches that racism cannot exist in the Body of Christ!

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