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Dwelling Place Church Vision: Manifesting Christ in Many Ways to Many People

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"The coming of the Spirit settles on their bodies as fire and in their hearts as the sweetest love." – Pope Gregory the Great

The issue of race is not new or unique to us.

Numbers 12 – an interracial marriage between Moses and an African woman (Cushite)

What exactly is racism? Racism is a conscious or unconscious belief in the superiority of one race over another race that manifests itself in the use of power, influence, resources, or communication used to reject or suppress people of another ethnicity.

Two Flawed Concepts of Racism – Individualism AND Structuralism

Four Flawed Secular Models of Overcoming Racism:

Colorblindness Anglo-Conformity Multiculturalism White Responsibility

When God's people can get it right, we then have something to offer the culture.

Ephesians 2:11 NKJV – As for God, his way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.

The Racial Cage – it's often hard to break free from.

Ephesians 2:13-15 NKJV

In Christ, your previous identity is no longer your point of reference.

Galatians 2:20 NKJV – I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

The Process of Emulsification

Ephesians 2:20 NKJV – having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,

Romans 16:17 NKJV – Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

Hosea 4:6 NIV – my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge. "Because you have rejected knowledge, I also reject you as my priests; because you have ignored the law of your God, I also will ignore your children.

Colossians 1:19-23 NKJV – For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, 20 and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. 21 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight— 23 if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.

No Justice, No Peace. No Forgiveness, No Peace. It must be BOTH!

2 Corinthians 5:16-20 NKJV – Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. 18 Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, 19 that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in July- 9a + 11a God's People - A Biblical Response to Racism

Over the last couple of years, our society has focused a great deal on racism, especially with respect to African Americans. Although our present issue is complex and polarizing, what the Bible teaches on this subject is straightforward and clear. God loves and wants all people from every ethnicity, culture, and race to be a part of His family. If I am a child of God, then I too should love and want all people to be a part of God's family - my family. Racism can't survive with that mentality. Breaking down walls of racism has to be intentional. Love with purpose because only God's love will break everything down.

GO

Ansley Park Back to School Bash - Saturday, July 16 -5p-7p

Join us as we serve Ansley Park - a local community in Woodstock - with free backpacks full of school supplies, games, food and more! You can sign up now at the Next Steps table to volunteer, or give a donation. \$15 fills one student's backpack full of supplies.

GIVE

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GROW

Thursday, July 16 - 7p - 9p A Conversation of Faith -Topic: The Problem of Evil

We will be hosting an open informal conversation about spirituality, and the person of Jesus without judgment or pressure. We want to hear your thoughts and questions as we explore these themes together without the pressured atmosphere that usually with comes these conversations. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is to create conversation. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, September 1 7p - 9p Launch of our Fall Semester of Growth Phases

Join us as we kick off our fall semester of Growth Phases. Get signed up today at the Next Steps table. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

GROUP

Sunday, July 17 -Connect Group Night

Connect groups will meet all over the area today. If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.