

# Culture Shock

## Week 4 Sunday

### Notes

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#### **What Does the Bible Say About Race, Ethnicity and Human Dignity?**

- **There is One Race - The Human Race, but Many ETHNICITIES**

**Genesis 1:26**, *Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness... 27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.*

- **From Day One, the Gospel Has Been for ALL PEOPLE**

**Acts 2:6**, *When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. 7 Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome 11 (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"*

- **God Does Not Show Favoritism and Neither SHOULD WE**

**Romans 2:11**, *For God does not show favoritism.*

- **From Day One, the Church Has Been Made up of Different PEOPLE GROUPS**

**Acts 2:41**, *Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. 42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer... 46 Every day they continued to*

*meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.*

- **Racism Is a Sin and Is Not Compatible With the GOSPEL**

**Colossians 3:11**, *Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.*

- **Our Worship Should Reflect Our Future REALITY**

**Revelation 4:8**, *...Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." ... 10 They lay their crowns before the throne and say: 11 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."*

**Revelation 5:9**, *And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. 10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."*