

REPENT

None of us personally participated in buying & selling, rape, torture & abuse of slaves, in advocating that blacks are less than human & destined for lives of perpetual servitude, in segregation to keep blacks & whites separated, in KKK activity, in civil rights assassinations, in lynchings, in race massacres, and the like.

None of us personally participated, but we're all responsible
to acknowledge what happened, address its lingering effects,
& take responsibility to work for a better, more equitable world.

Corporate Responsibility:

The bible tells of times when Godly individuals would confess & repent for the sins of the nation. Although the individual praying did not participate in the ungodliness, they included themselves in that confession because the nature of the sin impacted the whole nation.

PRAY

Confess & repent for the national sins of racism.
Ask God's forgiveness & invite God's restoration.



Personal Responsibility:

Prejudice is the unjustified disfavor or dislike of another race. Discrimination is the behavior and action of prejudice. Racial biases are blind spots where we're often unaware that we favor one race and how that results in unintentionally practicing inequity toward other races.

PRAY

Confession & Repentance For:

Likely biases & blindspots we have that work against fair & equal treatment of others.

Times we harbored prejudice or practiced discrimination toward other races.

Harboring unforgiveness toward those who behave in discriminatory or racist ways.

Ignoring or being insensitive toward the racial wounds of the black community.

Failing to practice patience with those who don't yet know how to talk about racism
in healthy, non-combative & sensitive ways.

What we've left undone to rightly address issues of racism because of fear or discomfort.

Living in ways that segregate us from other ethnicities.

What is God nudging you to repent of?



AFFIRMATION STATION

Black men have relentlessly been prejudged & viewed as dangerous, suspicious, intimidating, criminals, aggressive, delinquent, untrustworthy, & the like. They've been the primary focus of police brutality, prejudice, criminal justice inequity, socio-economic discrimination, racial violence, & so much more.

Here, you are invited to contradict these biases
and write words of blessing, encouragement,
affirmation, honor & celebration of black men.

- Write & Stick Around Edges Of Image -

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Instructions:

Gather 1 black, 1 red, & 1 white square & affix them together to a cross as a symbol of repentance.

Depending on the cross, they can nail, tack, or tape items onto it.

Supplies:

Paper or fabric squares.

Nails, pins, or tape depending on which type of cross you use.

Supply a small hammer if using nails.

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Racial inequality graphs & stats.

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Provide pens & sticky notes for people to write and post these affirmations around the edges of the image.



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