

# Bigotry

## Racism & Sexism

*When a foreigner lives with you in your land, don't take advantage of him. Treat the foreigner the same as a native. Love him like one of your own.*

**Leviticus 19: 33 – 34**

**The Bible has always been clear that in God's eyes all people are the same. God created all the diversity in the world – men and women and all the different races of people and languages that they use – and He expects us to respect both genders and all races.**

† Jesus strongly condemns men who just see women as sexual objects to be used or taken advantage of.

*"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.*

**Matthew 5: 27 – 28**

*There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

**Galatians 3: 28**

Jesus tells a story (called the Parable of the Good Samaritan) in **Luke 10: 25 – 37**.

The story is about a man of one race doing a nice deed for a man of a different race. Jesus is not trying to make the point that we should do nice things for each other. Instead, He uses an example of someone doing a nice deed to make the point that we should treat each other the same regardless of our race.

† If He were telling the story today, Jesus might use the example of a black man helping a white man to make His point.

**Although the Bible tells Christians they should not date or marry non-Christians, it does not in any way forbid people of different races or languages dating or marrying each other.**

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