Confronting Racism Resources for DaySpring's study of *The Color of Compromise*

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Please join us in praying radical and sustained national healing from our racism and from systemic racism that has continued to damage, harm, and kill our brothers and sisters who are black and indigenous. Let us join together in praying for national recognition of our collective sin and a movement towards repentance and restoration.

May the people of God lead the way in this recognition of our complicity and in seeking forgiveness and bringing about healing and lasting change to our society and all of its structures that have perpetuated a cycle of oppression. Let us also pray for our sisters and brothers who have for far too long carried the weight of this oppression. May the God of hope and peace sustain, encourage, and strengthen them. May God grant all of us the courage, discernment, and humility to repent and to be the agents of change that we are called to be as "the light of the world."

Through the mercy of our Risen Lord who has saved us from all of our sins, in the sustaining love of God the Father and through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Praying about racism:

Racism, a reflection and a prayer: https://denverseminary.edu/racism-a-reflection-and-a-prayer/

A Litany for Those Not Ready for Healing: https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/prayers-for-racial-justice-and-reconciliation

Baylor Family Praying: https://www.facebook.com/127571546370/videos/255576465669051

Cultivating Daily Habits:

Consider trying a new challenge each day, to help you understand race and racism.

21 Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge: https://www.eddiemoorejr.com/21daychallenge

Detailed List of Anti-Racism Resources (books, movies, podcasts, children's movies, etc.) https://medium.com/wake-up-call/a-detailed-list-of-anti-racism-resources-a34b259a3eea

Listen to how other Baptists are engaging the racism issue:

Baptist News Global: baptistnews.com

Other resources:

Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man with Emmanuel Acho (also a Texan) https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3DoYiL7X N1Ta1o4HE9Mlg?pbjreload=101

Some episodes of the sitcom *Black-ish* address the Black experience in America with teaching videos embedded in it. https://abc.com/shows/blackish

The Color of Compromise video series by Jemar Tisby on Amazon Prime. https://www.amazon.com/gp/video/detail/B083ZMNSB2/ref=atv_dp_share_cu_r

Practice Listening First

Learning how to listen to each other is crucial for having difficult conversations. Baylor's Public Deliberation Initiative has a free online training for all who want to learn how to better listen, deliberate (not debate) and find consensus. https://www.baylor.edu/pdi/