

# discussion guide

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**Race and Ethnicity:**  
Outreach

**1 John 4:19-21 | James 2:1-10**

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## **BELONG**

A retired pastor at Fellowship was known for asking staff members, “How’s your soul?” This is a great opportunity to ask this question of those with whom you are meeting. How is your soul? With all that is going on in the world, take a moment to share how you are doing emotionally and spiritually.

## **GROW**

**Read James 2:1-10.**

What specific sin is James addressing in this passage? How would you define “partiality”? How does “partiality” express itself in the life of the church today?

In what ways do you struggle with “partiality”?

**Read I John 4:19-21.**

How does the Gospel inform or motivate love for our brother/sister? Share your working definition of love. Share your working definition of hate. What specific characteristics mark someone who walks in love? What specific characteristics mark someone who walks in hate?

**Read John 15:12-13.**

In the context of race and ethnicity, what are some next steps you can take that are rooted in Jesus’ definition of love?

**Read Matthew 22:36-40.**

In the context of this passage, who do you think our “neighbor” is? Who are specific examples of your “neighbor”? Is there anyone of a different ethnicity that is in your “neighbor” sphere of influence? What are ways you could engage them relationally over the next month?

As you reflect over the last three weeks of teaching in our Race and Ethnicity series, what will stick with you? What has the Lord revealed to you about yourself and your role in the church? How can you be part of extending the love of Christ across ethnic lines? Pray to that end.

## Connect DAILY

### Day 1

Partiality

[James 2:1-10](#)

### Day 2

Love

[1 John 4:19-21](#)

### Day 3

Love

[John 15:12-13](#)

### Day 4

Neighbor

[Matthew 22:36-40](#)

### Day 5

New Commandment

[John 13:34-35](#)

## serve

### LifeSource International

LifeSource International is a non-profit organization in Fayetteville. Our mission is to give a hand up, not just a hand out. They provide the following programs and services: Food Storehouse, Clothing Pantry, Counseling Services, Kids Life Programs, Educational Services, Senior Saturdays.

They also accept donations of toys, clothing, furniture, and non-perishable food items during normal business hours of 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday-Friday.

**\$10 = Meals for a family of four for one week.**

**\$100 = 100 Meals served to those who are hungry.**

**\$500 = Counseling services for a family for one year.**

**\$1,000 = One year's worth of meals served to senior citizens at Senior Lunches.**

For more information or to schedule a time to serve click [here](#).

## pray

Pray for global workers, L and E, to have a deepening desire for God's Word.