# 1. Kingdom citizens are a <u>chosen race</u> who view all other races through the <u>lens</u> of the <u>scripture</u>. (1Pet. 2:9-12)

How racially diverse was the community you grew up in? How about your church? Did you have friends that were of different ethnicities than you?

Do you feel less safe when you are around people of different races than you? Why?

Do you fear visiting other nations and cultures? Why?

Do you hear your parents or friends use offensive language in reference to those of others race? Did you hear those words used about you?

How has migration and technology affected the racial diversity in America? Do you have neighbors of other races than you? Have you invited any of them into your home?

## • All people groups are made from <u>one man</u> by God. (Acts 17:26, Gen. 1:27-28, Gen. 10:5)

How does the doctrine of creation prevent racial superiority? How does Darwinism (survival of the fittest) fuel racial superiority? Has your lack of conviction about creation affected your view of any people group including your own?

### • All people groups are <u>image bearers</u> of God. (Gen. 1:27)

Discus this statement from Pastor Trent's message: "There is glory in being black. There is glory in being white. But if you elevate your ethnicity to a place where it defines you exclusively, you have committed idolatry. Our greatest glory is found not in what makes us different. (Skin color, language, customs, place of origin, etc.) Our greatest glory is found is what makes us the same—Each us of has been imagined and produced by the creative mind of God, in the image of God, for the glory of God."

### • All people groups have <u>equal value</u> from God. (Gal. 3:26-28)

Where do you get your identity? Do you believe you or are more or less valued because of your race?

## 2. Kingdom citizens are compelled by <u>grace</u> to crush the <u>pride</u> and <u>bitterness</u> that fuels <u>racism</u>. (Col. 3:11)

Have you lost the wonder of being chosen by God?

How have you shown pride toward other races? How have you shown humility?

Do you hold a grudge against any other race for something that happened to you, others of your race, or your ancestors?

Do you have a lack of trust for those of others races?

## 3. Kingdom citizens are compelled by <u>love</u> to cross <u>racial lines</u> to take the gospel to people of <u>every race</u>. (Matt. 28:18-20, Rev. 7:9-10, Rev. 5:9-10)

List five friends that you have that are of a different ethnicity from you. Did you have trouble thinking of five?

What can you do this week to cross a racial line?