June 14 Discussion Questions "Racial Injustice and the Gospel"

Connect

- 1. Share a situation in which you were dealt with unjustly. How did you react? What did it teach you?
- 2. Share from your experience how your understanding of racial injustice has developed over time.

Read Acts 10:1-28

Discuss

- 3. What issue for the future of the Church was being addressed in this passage?
- 4. How did Jews typically act towards Gentiles? How did this affect the propagation of the Gospel?
- 5. Dr. Mondonico Williams posed the question, "If given the choice to switch places with any black person, would you do it?" How do you answer that question? What does your answer say about the nature of the problem even today in America?
- 6. Why do you think God created people of different skin colors and ethnicities?
- 7. Based on what Peter concluded in v.28, how does the Gospel speak into the issue of racism?
- 8. What did Dr. Mondonico Williams say the solution was to racial injustice? Do you agree? What does this look like fleshed out?

Apply

- 9. How has your understanding of racial injustice been clarified by Dr. Williams' message? What is still unclear? What's still a struggle for you?
- 10. Everyone's call to action will look different. What do you believe your personal call to action is?
- 11. What does a Gospel-centered vision for racial and social equality look like in America and in the church? What still needs to change? What should Oakwood Church do to encourage that change?

Pray

12. Weekly Prayer Focus from Prayer Team

May the Lord give us wisdom and understanding related to race, justice and peace. May we have ears to hear and hearts to respond to the Holy Spirit so that we may increasingly serve as ambassadors of peace and unity in the One Church of Jesus. May the God of peace who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Hebrews 13:20-21