ASKING for a **FRIEND**

Why Are You So Closed Minded?

Is Christianity A Racist Religion?

Racism: attributing to one race <u>INTRINSIC SUPERIORITY</u> or valuing it above another and then <u>TREATING OTHERS</u> as undesirable or evil.

Genesis 1:27 (ESV) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Romans 3:23 (ESV) All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. . .

Isaiah 53:4-6 (ESV) Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

<u>Romans 8:3 (ESV)</u> What the law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did, sending his own son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin. He condemned sin in the flesh...

The Gospel Explains and Destroys Racism Four key components!

1. Every human is created **<u>SPECIFICALLY BY GOD</u>** for his Glory.

- 2. Every human is EQUALLY DEPRAVED.
- 3. Every human is EQUALLY LOVED.

<u>Revelation 5:9-10 (ESV)</u> ... you were slain and by your blood, you ransom people for God from every tribe and tongue and people and nation 1^{0} and you have made them a kingdom, one kingdom and priests to our God.

4. Every human needs FAITH IN JESUS.

Isn't Christianity Anti-Science? Give Science Time And It Will Catch Up!

1. SCIENCE: until the mid-1400's science taught the WORLD WAS FLAT

BIBLE: written in 700BC *Isaiah 40:22(ESV)* It is he who sits above the **CIRCLE** of the earth...

2. SCIENCE: A prevalent scientific belief was the world was resting on **FOUR <u>PILLARS</u>** until in 1687 Sir Isaac Newton postulated the law of gravity.

BIBLE: Written in 1500BC describes the world as <u>**HANGING IN SPACE**</u> <u>**Job 26:7(ESV)**</u> He stretches out the north over the void and hangs the earth on nothing.

3. SCIENCE: Before the invention of the telescope in the 17th century, the common scientific belief was there were around <u>3000 STARS</u> in the sky

BIBLE: Written in 600BC Jeremiah refers to more **STARS THAN WE CAN COUNT** Jeremiah 33:22(ESV) As the host of heaven cannot be numbered. . .

4. SCIENCE: In the 17th century science formally proposed the **WATER CYCLE** of evaporation, transportation and precipitation.

BIBLE: Written in 950BC Ecclesiastes 1:6-7, written in 1500BC Job 36:27-28 describe the water cycle and aspects of it.

5. **SCIENCE**: In the 17th century Galileo discovered the winds traveled in circuitous patterns and that wind has weight.

BIBLE: Written in 950BC Ecclesiastes 1:6 describes the circuits of wind, written in 1500BC Job 28:25 describe the water cycle and aspects of it.

6. **SCIENCE**: Only in the past few hundred years did mankind have the technology to discover deep valleys and fresh water springs in the oceans.

BIBLE: Written in 3000BC Genesis 7:11 talks of the springs breaking forth from the deep, written in 3000BC 2 Samuel 22:16 speaks of the valleys of the sea.

 SCIENCE: Only since the 17th century has science identified the stars in the sky are <u>DIFFERENT FORM ONE ANOTHER</u>. Before it was believed they were similar candles burning on celestial lamp stands.

BIBLE: Paul writes in 60AD <u>*I* Corinthians 15:41 (ESV)</u> 1 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

8. SCIENCE: In recent years American newspapers have published various reports on scientific studies revealing that laughter releases chemicals within a person's body that can contribute to good health. Also that depression and stress can weaken the immune system and contribute to various health problems.

BIBLE: Solomon inspired by God states this very fact as he wrote in 1000BC In Proverbs 16, 17, etc.