

How to Talk to Your Homeschooler About Critical Race Theory



Remember that . . .

“God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.” (1 Cor. 14:33)

	What CRT Says:	What the Bible Says:
How should we understand mankind as a whole?	<p>All people are divided into categories based upon whether they are oppressors or oppressed.</p> <p>People are divided into groups based on skin color and other factors such as gender, religion, and sexual orientation.</p>	<p>God created one kind of people, all of one blood, made in His image. (Gen. 1:27, Acts 17:26, Romans 10:12-13, Gal. 3:28)</p> <p>God’s image is beautifully displayed through various ethnic groups.</p>
Where do we get our personal identity?	<p>All people find their identity in the groups to which they belong, be they oppressed or oppressors.</p> <p>Intersectionality: The more oppressed groups you belong to, the more oppressed you are.</p>	<p>The Christian’s identity is found in Christ alone. (Eph. 1:3-14) We are all image-bearers of God.</p> <p>Christians are all one in Christ who removes the oppression of sin. We are free in Christ. (2 Corinthians 3:17, John 8:36, Gal. 5:1)</p>
How do we define sin?	<p>Sins are subjective and based on emotional reactions from those within the group named the oppressed group.</p>	<p>A Christian cannot be charged with sin found outside of God’s Word. (Acts 17:11, 2 Tim. 3:16-17)</p>
How are we held accountable for sin?	<p>Each person is responsible and should be held accountable for the sins of his or her ancestors, ethnic group, or of a system that they may be connected to.</p> <p>Subjective experiences determine whether someone is guilty of racism or associated with systematic racism.</p> <p>Penance is necessary for this guilt-by-association.</p>	<p>Each person is only held accountable for his or her own sins, not the sins of ancestors, ethnicity, or of a system. (Deut. 24:16, Phil. 2:12, Rev. 20:13)</p> <p>The definitions of law and sin are found in God’s Word and these definitions do not change.</p> <p>Each person is responsible for his or her own sin.</p>

<p>Who is offended by sin?</p>	<p>When the sin of racism occurs, the offended party is the collective group.</p>	<p>When someone sins, the offended party is first and foremost God. (Psalm 51:4)</p>
<p>How do we gain salvation?</p>	<p>Salvation is a transaction not only between God and an individual but also between God and groups.</p> <p>One must repent collectively for all the sins of his associated groups and to repent to their subjective satisfaction.</p>	<p>Salvation from that sin is a transaction that occurs between God and an individual.</p> <p>The sinner is called to repent to God for his or her own sins.</p>
<p>Who is responsible for sins?</p>	<p>Sin is ancestral, ethnic, corporate and systemic.</p> <p>Penance is necessary for this guilt-by-association.</p>	<p>A repentant sinner is justified as an individual, not as part of a group. (John 3:16, Rev. 20:15)</p>
<p>How can we be saved?</p>	<p>Salvation is from grace plus works of social justice.</p> <p>Good works of social justice, a litmus test for conversion, are defined by the antiracism movement.</p>	<p>Man is saved by grace alone, not by added works of social justice. (Romans 5:8, Eph. 2:8-9).</p>
<p>What is the role of the church?</p>	<p>A primary purpose of the church is to be an agent of social, political and cultural change in society.</p> <p>The church as an institution should primarily engage in social justice activism.</p>	<p>The primary purpose of the church is to worship God through preaching, teaching, equipping the saints, observing the sacraments, and evangelizing the lost. (Acts 20:29, 2 Cor. 11:2)</p> <p>The church has been established primarily to worship God. (Eph. 2:20-22, 1 Peter 2:5)</p>

<p>What is the basis of wisdom?</p>	<p>Wisdom from God's Word must be supplemented by wisdom from other people's experiences.</p> <p>There are different theological systems for different readers, based on personal experience.</p> <p>Neglecting the theology of personal experience leads to white supremacy.</p>	<p>Life experiences must be interpreted through the lens of God's Word, not vice versa.</p> <p>The Bible does not have different meanings for different readers. (Romans 12:2, 2 Cor. 10:4-5, 2 Tim. 3:16-17)</p>
<p>What about justification?</p>	<p>The understanding of justification is derived from one's personal experiences.</p> <p>"CRT theology" regards redemption as communal, not merely individual.</p>	<p>The doctrine of justification is derived from the Scriptures.</p> <p>There is only one gospel. There are not differing theological systems for people of differing skin colors.</p>