## SERMON STUDY | HIDDEN FIGURES | AT THE MOVIES June 23, 2019

Dive deeper into this week's message and passages from the Bible. Here are some questions to help you guide your group discussion.

The movie *Hidden Figures\** gives us an opportunity to be reminded that racism is so contrary to the heart of God! Racism, classism, and sexism were crucified on the bloody cross of Jesus Christ and by his resurrection power. Each of us can be the first, using whatever influence or position we have to stand up for injustice and to give opportunity to someone else. Each of us can be the first to do the thing we know is right, even when no one else is doing it!

\*Traders Point does not agree with or endorse every part of the movies that are featured in our series, At the Movies. Please watch at your own discretion.

Read James 2:1, Galatians 3:26-28 and Acts 10:34-35 (GNT). The only color that really matters is red—the red blood of Jesus that transcends color and makes us brothers and sisters in Christ.

- Have you come to the realization that God treats everyone on the same basis? Knowing
  this truth, how does this help you handle any racism, classism, sexism or another injustice
  you have experienced?
- Do you treat everyone on the same basis, no matter what race he or she belongs to? How can you grow in loving your brothers and sisters in Christ, regardless of their color or background?

Read Proverbs 31:8 and Ecclesiastes 4:9-10. Every one of us is in a position to "be the first" somewhere—doing the thing that you know is right when no one else is doing it or supporting you. This is something that goes beyond race. We can all take notice of the hidden figures in our lives and community, and leverage whatever position and power we have to help someone else succeed in some way.

- In what way could you "be the first," stopping the cycle of hurt, injustice or just simply doing the right thing? In your family? At work? In your own life?
- Who are the hidden figures in your life who you could help show their talents, give an opportunity, or even rise to the top?
- How can our group pray for you in any kind of injustice you've faced; any racism, sexism or classism you need to overcome; or in being the first?

## **REFLECT**

What is God saying to you through his word? How and when will you respond?

## **DAILY BIBLE READING**

Need a review of what we're reading in Daily Bible Reading? Here's a glance at how we're being challenged this week (subscribe at tpcc.org/dailybiblereading!).

Day One: James 2:1 | In Christ, we are family.

Day Two: Galatians 3:26-28 | No longer Jew or Gentile.

Day Three: Acts 10:34-35 GNT | God treats everyone on the same basis.

Day Four: Proverbs 31:8 | Be the first.

Day Five: Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 | Hidden figures.