

## Pray For An End To Racism

According to the *United Nations*, racism, xenophobia and intolerance are problems prevalent in all societies. Each of us plays a role in either contributing to or breaking down racial prejudice and intolerant attitudes. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.holocaustandhumanity.org](http://www.holocaustandhumanity.org)

According to the *United Nations*, racist behavior can be not just overt, such as treating some people according to their race or color, but also covert, when society systematically treats groups according to some form of discriminating judgment. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.idrnc.org](http://www.idrnc.org)

According to *The New Jim Crow* author, Michelle Alexander, although blacks and Latinos make up less than a fourth of the US population, they fill approximately 60% of prisons. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.pisab.org](http://www.pisab.org)

According to *The New Jim Crow* author, Michelle Alexander, during the height of Jim Crow, blacks went to prison at roughly four times the rate of whites; today the black imprisonment rate is seven times that of whites. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.pisab.org](http://www.pisab.org)

According to *Human Rights Watch*, African Americans are arrested for drug offenses at rates 2 to 11 times higher than the rate for whites. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.idrnc.org](http://www.idrnc.org)

The *U.S. Sentencing Commission* reported that in the federal system, black offenders receive sentences that are 10% longer than white offenders for the same crimes. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.idrnc.org](http://www.idrnc.org)

The *U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics* reports that the chance of a black male born in 2001 of going to jail is 32%. Latino males have a 17% chance and white males have a 6% chance. Thus black boys are five times and Latino boys nearly three times as likely as white boys to go to jail. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.idrnc.org](http://www.idrnc.org)

Even when released from prison, race continues to dominate. A study at the University of Wisconsin found that 17% of white job applicants with criminal records received callbacks from employers while only 5% of black job applicants with criminal records received callbacks. **Pray for an end to racism and for the many who are working to dismantle it.** Suggested website: [www.idrnc.org](http://www.idrnc.org)

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According to the *American Economic Review*, racial discrimination continues to be in the labor market. An experiment carried out in Chicago and Boston showed that resumes with “white-sounding” names, whether male or female, were much more likely to result in callbacks for interviews than were those with “black-sounding” names (even though the resumes were otherwise identical).

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According to the *US Human Rights Network*, discrimination permeates all aspects of life in the United States, and extends to all communities of color.

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According to the *Commission for Racial Justice*, approximately half of all Native Americans live in communities with an uncontrolled toxic waste site.

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