

## Social Justice Assessed Biblically – Recommended reading list

### Helpful History

- *“Worse than Slavery” Parchman Farm and the Ordeal of Jim Crow Justice* (1996), David M. Oshinsky – a painful and important treatment of the realities of the convict lease system and the justice system under Jim Crow, detailing much that Americans are unaware of in our history.
- *American History, Volumes 1 & 2* (2019), Thomas Kidd – excellent overview of American history from an explicitly Christian perspective. Designed for advanced high school or college students as a textbook.
- *Did America Have a Christian Founding?* (2019), Mark David Hall – sets out to show the ways in which there was a strong Christian influence upon the founding of the nation. Helpful for the historical detail.
- *Debunking Howard Zinn* (2019), Mary Grabar – exposes the radical revisionist history is driven by Marxist ideology which has dominated higher education for a generation.

### On Critical Race Theory / Social Justice

- *White Fragility* (2018), Robin DiAngelo - Included as a primary source for Critical Race theory; read with great discernment.
- *Antiracist Baby* (2020), Ibram X. Kendi – Included as a primary source for Critical Race theory, demonstrating the basic tenants of the theory and how it is targeting the youngest of children in a catechetical way. Read with great discernment.
- *Why Social Justice Is Not Biblical Justice* (2020), Scott David Allen – helpful treatment of the ideology of social justice and Critical Race Theory.
- *Fault Lines* (2020), Voddie T. Baucham Jr. – goes in detail regarding claims of the Black Lives Matters movement and Critical Race Theory. Also details what is happening in evangelicals at this time.
- *What Is the Mission of the Church* (2011), Kevin DeYoung – particularly chapters 6 & 7 on social justice.
- A brief critique of *White Fragility* by Denny Burk - <https://www.dennyburk.com/why-white-fragility-fails/>
- Summary of Critical Theory: <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/incompatibility-critical-theory-christianity/>
- Tom Ascol: <https://founders.org/2019/09/04/yes-the-social-justice-movement-is-a-threat-to-evangelicals/>
- <http://www.numberofabortions.com/> (Included to expose the worst societal injustice of our time)

### Grappling with the Disparities and the Underlying Causes in American Society

- *Civil Rights: Rhetoric or Reality* (1985), Thomas Sowell - A classic treatment of the distortions in talk on racial disparity in America:
- *Please Stop Helping Us: How Liberals Make It Harder for Blacks to Succeed* (2016), Jason L. Riley
- *Not Tragically Colored: Freedom, Personhood, and the Renewal of Black America* (2016), Ismael Hernandez. Relevant chapter here: <https://wng.org/sift/the-breakdown-of-the-african-american-family-1617725169>
- Video Interview and summary of Thomas Sowell on policies contributing to racial disparities: <https://www.aei.org/carpe-diem/thomas-sowell-on-the-legacy-of-slavery-vs-the-legacy-of-liberalism/>
- Samuel Sey on Systemic Racism’s existence: <https://slowtowrite.com/does-systemic-racism-exist/>  
Samuel Sey on black fatherhood: <https://slowtowrite.com/our-fathers-our-failures/>

