RACIAL RECONCILIATION
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Key Ideas:

If we are only doing life with people who are like us then we are not being the Church the way Jesus intended for us to be.

God did NOT intend for us to be pockets of body parts, but to be many members of one body.

Healing within racial reconciliation starts with us being a part of other people's lives who don't look like us.

Acts 10

- Racial, Cultural and Ethnic reconciliation was God's plan first.
- When we follow Jesus we are responsible for creating space for others to belong.
- Reconciliation is an important component of the GOSPEL.
- Reconciliation requires creating space for healing, repentance, forgiveness.

How we can create spaces for reconciliation:

I. **Be proactive in our pursuit of others.**
   - Unity and Reconciliation doesn't happen without intentionality and being proactive.

II. **Move from uniformity, to Unity.**
   - Uniformity - if you can adjust who you are to fit into our model you can belong.
   - Unity - who you are is essential to our model so you already belong.

III. **Live in the tension.**
   - When you actually pursue creating spaces for reconciliation; THERE WILL BE CHALLENGES.
     - Embrace it.
     - Don't run, Don't Retreat.
     - Don't make excuses, and don't look for scapegoats.

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When we commit to creating spaces for reconciliation it...
   - Creates pathways for healing.
   - Expands the reach of the Church.

What if the "big C" Church led the way in the conversation for reconciling racial tension?
What if our church led the way in the conversation?