

SEA - Spiritually Energized Activists

Mapping Our Next Steps

Vineyard Core Values:

What we think is important:

1. The Theology and Practice of the Kingdom of God.

2. Experiencing God.

*** 3. Culturally Relevant Mission.

*** 4. Reconciling Community.

*** 5. Compassionate Ministry.

Poverty

Matthew 25:41-46 "Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his

angels; **42** for I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink; **43** I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me.' **44** Then they themselves also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?' **45** Then He will answer them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' **46** These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Galatians 2:10 They only asked us to remember the poor-the very thing I also was eager to do.

<https://vineyardusa.org/library/remember->

the-poor-what-the-poor-mean-to-us/

<https://vineyardusa.org/explore/justice-our-neighborhoods/>

<http://vineyardjusticenetwork.org>

Race

Galatians 3:27-28 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

***Genesis 11:1-9 Tower of Babel (after

the Flood) confusion of the language to make many

Acts 2:8-11 And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born? **9** Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, **11** Cretans and Arabs-we hear them in our own tongues speaking of the mighty deeds of God."

***Different nations from different continents of the then known world

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"Let me conclude with a quote from Josh Williams, a Vineyard pastor at the Elm City Vineyard in New Haven, CT, spoken during one of our afternoon sessions at the National Conference.

"Speak the truth that God created all of us in His image, and there is no supremacy in God's Kingdom except the supremacy of the King." – Josh Williams

Let's continue to hold high the words of Scripture in our churches, serving our congregations as leaders actively modeling what it means to see God's image in everyone (Gen. 1:27), love our enemies (Matt. 5:44), consider others better than ourselves (Phil. 2:3), and to stand in the gap (Ezek. 22:30a) as intercessors for our towns, cities, and

nation." excerpt from A Pastoral Letter From Phil Strout Leading in Racial Reconciliation

<https://m.wikihow.com/Help-Reduce-Racism>

Children

Matthew 18:1-6 & 10 At that time the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" **2** And He called a child to Himself and set him before them, **3** and said, "Truly I say to you, unless you are converted and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. **4** Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. **5** And whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me; **6** but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be

better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea..... **10** "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven continually see the face of My Father who is in heaven.

James 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Community Knights organization

<https://communityknights.org>