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Carl Racine: He built up the the black congregation in the church and you know there's this idea of a tipping point when there's just a couple of black folk in a white church it's fine they're just interesting.

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Carl Racine: But when they become a visible presence when they become when they can make demands when they can say we don't want to be relegated to the balcony.

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Carl Racine: Then, then things got complicated so Richard Allen was was just this amazing.

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Carl Racine: person.

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Carl Racine: In so many different ways, but.

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Carl Racine: Anyway, sister Carol give us more about that next week.

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Right.

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Marie Doubleday: it's it's interesting, we have a Methodist campground and walk.

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Marie Doubleday: In it's been in since the 1800s and this sheer.

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Marie Doubleday: number of years ago a gentleman bought a house in the camp grounds so white attorney from.

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Marie Doubleday: baltimore Maryland and mixed marriage and he got into the history, because the the thought was that, at that point in.

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Marie Doubleday: The 1800s probably into the 1900s early 1900s i'm African Americans were not welcomed on the campgrounds and if you go up in the Highlands, which is what Dorothy Westland.

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Marie Doubleday: Is what they call the Baptist campground which is really now just a park well this gentleman did research on it and it's actually fascinating if you look up, I believe I just tried to be woke up the.

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Marie Doubleday: mouth is V and museum, I know that they had an exhibit on it, but if not feel free to contact me and I could put you in court because it the history is fascinating we got in the relationship between African Americans and white Methodist and, in fact, there was a.

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Marie Doubleday: African American preacher that did own a house on the camera.

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Marie Doubleday: So just an addition that's all.

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Carl Racine: Well, that the, at least in in.

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Carl Racine: I think was actually Maryland at that point, I think, Richard Allen was born in Delaware but then was.

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Carl Racine: sold to another person in Maryland and.

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Carl Racine: The the meetings that he went to were were integrated right.

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Carl Racine: and

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Carl Racine: So, and the and the preachers were all very anti slavery, on top of everything else, so he Richard Allen got the bright idea.

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Carl Racine: Of of.

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Carl Racine: Bringing the preacher to have a chat with his owner.

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Carl Racine: And to talk to him about the evils of slavery and it worked.

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Carl Racine: It didn't work, to the extent that the owner freed Richard Allen and his brother.

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Carl Racine: But he did allow them to work extra and earn money to buy their freedom.

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Carl Racine: So Richard Allen again credited the Methodist tradition, with the facilitating his ability to become a free man.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And was probably another reason why he was really committed to methodism because of his own background and ultimately freeing his brother and his family members as well, so all that is part of a me.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: heritage and amy tradition and, yes, there is

an amy Zion church, so that whole saw the chat room conversation.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: That and again for those of us we're not talking about the lesson at this point we're talking about black history i've turned the recording on.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: So we will get into that momentarily but in honor of Richard Allen being born on February 14 we wanted to.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Talk about this aspect of black history but yes like like anything else, people have disagreed talking about sibling rivalry and we've been talking about that, with this class.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: You know you've got friends rivalry and conflicts and stuff and that's why we have so many denominations in Christianity, including the African Methodist episcopal church.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And so you had epsilon Jones you had Richard Allen you had others who had ideologies that were somewhat different, and so that caused the split offs from the original 1787 walk off from St George Church, which ultimately created the AMA chair Jun 1816 you had the amy Zion church.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: You have the cm E church that's the.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: colored they probably call it Christian now, but it was called the colored Methodist episcopal church.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: etc, so you had all these different denominations that were an outgrowth.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And in many ways, they were stronger and

bigger than the Baptist church the Baptist church now is probably the more prominent denomination and they have split offs to.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: But originally methodism was a powerhouse and the Episcopal line of Christianity were powerhouses prior to the formation of so many Baptist churches.

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Marie Doubleday: I just found and then i'll be quiet with the mouth is via museums, this is going to be a virtual program it's an early history of the residents of color.

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Marie Doubleday: And the martha's vineyard camp brown meeting association, so people are familiar with laughter is where the tabernacle is and its.

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Marie Doubleday: actions and gentlemen, I just spoke about and he's he actually brought the naacp on tour this past summer he had reached out and contacted my son, he is wonderful, he could he could go on forever.

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Marie Doubleday: But joy says this is short join Andrew patch President of methods made camp meeting association ncp census ongoing research.

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Marie Doubleday: into the early African American and wampanoag residents of the camp Brown, including their invention in potential segregation.

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Marie Doubleday: Segregation to my original regions of the grants and subsequent outreach right exclusion from owning inventing cottages on the association ground.

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Marie Doubleday: Mr patches research has yielded unexpected rediscovery of perhaps for seasonal community of color on martha's

vineyard and his presentation will include an introduction of some numbers so.

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Marie Doubleday: There was there's a piece if you're at the harbor to to the right of the harvard's with as a party area that there was a.

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Marie Doubleday: don't quote me, but I want to say, maybe 20 houses of folks have African American and whopping OG to set don't want the nog his arm indigenous tribal and they were arm.

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Marie Doubleday: kicked out basically in the houses were so it's it's fascinating so.

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Marie Doubleday: So on the site and play with the website, a bit if you're interested in joining our give me a shout.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: super Thank you next week, because I know we need to go to the lesson out tell you more about georgina Lee and some of the famous black women in the amy church.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: who made history first international missionary arena Lee was the first woman who was allowed to preach in the amy church and quick quick question for you.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Who was a famous amy woman connected with the civil rights movement, who was a part of the Church, she was an amy her first initial start with an r.

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Carl Racine: It was the parks.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: There you go yes Rosa parks was an AMA starting off in Alabama and then, when she moved to Detroit ultimately

she belonged to the amy church in Detroit that's your black history for today, thank you.

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Carl Racine: know this is important stuff is it and Richard Allen is a piece of black American history of American history not simply a piece of the me church.

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Carl Racine: Right so yeah.

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Carl Racine: i'm.

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Carl Racine: All right, I was going to actually talk about one other thing before we get back to the to the main topic and, and that was on Tuesday of this week, I actually was.

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Carl Racine: Really zoomed out but, but in a good way for a change, I was on two different.

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Carl Racine: zoom meetings on Thursday Tuesday afternoon, but the first was this webinar that sister Merrill sent out I don't know if anybody else saw it.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: I did.

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Carl Racine: But I thought it was great.

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It was oh.

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Carl Racine: i'll.

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Carl Racine: Try to talk about too many things at the same time, because there's so much to talk about but evidently it's part of it.

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Carl Racine: The first part of a 12 part thing that they have planned called the wide river project.

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Carl Racine: But the talking about the the both the history and the future prospects for for cooperation and relationship between black people in Jewish people.

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Carl Racine: and

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Carl Racine: It was it was just a fascinating thing and the African American man Eric Ward who was on it made some really interesting statements.

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Carl Racine: about the close connection between anti Semitism and racism against people of color he says anti Semitism is the oxygen.

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Carl Racine: Of the white nationalist movement and and they see this white nationalist movement as a threat to democracy in America and want to try to do something about it.

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Carl Racine: But he says that he said, and you know, again, then they move to something else, but he said, the majority of hate crimes, even against people of color are actually connected to anti semitism.

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Carl Racine: And he talked about how the partnership between.

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Carl Racine: Between black people in the civil rights movement and



Jews, which we've talked about in this class.

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Carl Racine: Was was seen as a threat by by white supremacist because they saw Jews as controlling the movement that same sort of idea that Jews are behind the scenes pulling the strings of all that happens.

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Carl Racine: and

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Carl Racine: They didn't talk about this in the thing but it struck me when they were talking about this that that's really one of the main themes of.

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Carl Racine: spike lee's movie black klansmen which I don't know how many people have seen that movie.

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Carl Racine: But that movie if you go rewatch that movie or watch that movie thinking about not the issue of racism against black people, but about the The anti semitism and the.

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Carl Racine: Part of the of the peace spike Lee highlights that in the story in a way that probably isn't even historically accurate he gives.

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Carl Racine: The the main character, the black man who is who is an FBI agent a partner who is Jewish and in real life as far as I could tell his partner wasn't Jewish so spike Lee wants to make this point he starts off with a.

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Carl Racine: kind of a white supremacist public service announcement from i'm imagining the early 1960s, where the guy makes.

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Carl Racine: that specific point that the Jews are behind the civil

rights movement and the movie ends with.

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Carl Racine: footage from the march in charlottesville with the marchers chanting Jews will not replace us us will not replace us so all the way through he has stokely carmichael quote.

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Carl Racine: rabbi hillel in in his speech, he has a powerful encounter between.

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Carl Racine: The black FBI agent and his Jewish partner, where he says, you need to get more involved in this, you have skin in this game, which is a great sort of way of talking about it.

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Carl Racine: So it just struck me that that movie, this is a significant theme in that movie and then they also talked about how you know there's forces in society that have tried to put a wedge between the two, the two groups to divide and conquer essentially convincing them that they're.

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Carl Racine: that their interests are in conflict with the interest of the other group and.

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Carl Racine: So they gave some examples of that, but they said you can't fight racism without fighting anti semitism and vice versa.

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Carl Racine: So that if they're sort of conclusion was if we were to make it through this moment in time, we need a strong black Jewish coalition, so I just thought it was a wonderful.

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Carl Racine: thing the the other one that I went to on Tuesday was with temple Israel and their ongoing interest in this topic and.

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Carl Racine: tally peterman sent me something another project for for a joint Bethel temple Israel something to look at that i'm trying to find out about a little bit more.

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Carl Racine: So anyway, that was a great.

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Carl Racine: A great moment and I think i'm assuming when they send out notices they're going to have future webinars or whatever about this wide river project.

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Carl Racine: And so we'll try to keep you informed, now that i'm on their mailing list i'm assuming they'll send me information about it, but I found it really helpful.

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Carl Racine: stuff so anyway, this is all very much to the point of this class it's not a diversion.

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Carl Racine: All right.

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Carl Racine: let's open in prayer Lord God we bless you for this day we bless you for being with us, we bless you for the the group that's gathered here together and we asked for your guidance in our conversation this morning, in the name of Jesus amen.

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Carl Racine: um.

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Carl Racine: Last week I began, giving us some examples in time at this issue of sibling rivalry and thinking about it as as a way of understanding the complex relationship between Christians and Jews historically.

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Carl Racine: And I started giving some examples to help us think about

how we can move beyond the sibling rivalry into a more positive and productive relationship.

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Carl Racine: And I I cited a story that rabbi sacks tells about a meeting between African bishops and Jewish seminary students that he was a part of when he was in seminary in the early 70s.

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Carl Racine: And it it ended up being a really transformative experience for him and i'm sure for those bishops as well, but as part of that.

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Carl Racine: story and I sent you the link to that in the notes from last week, he also spoke of the initial reluctance of the seminary of this is the principal of the seminary that he was going to.

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Carl Racine: The reluctance of principal had to agree to meeting with these bishops because of the historical anti Semitism in the Church, and so I just want to.

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Carl Racine: we've talked about this, I just want to bring this up, that if we're able if we're going to be able to share with one another and work together as Christians, we have to face the reality in our past and how it continues to affect our relationship today.

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Carl Racine: When I first began this what's now become over a decade long engagement with Judaism.

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Carl Racine: I was simply trying to get a handle on the Book of Hebrews trying to understand it and.

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Carl Racine: But when I when I really sat down and tried to engage with the Book of Hebrews I realized I couldn't adequately understand, and certainly not adequately teach the Book of Hebrews until i'd wrestled with the 2000 years of Christian hostility towards Jews.

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Carl Racine: And towards Judaism and how the Book of Hebrews had contributed to that hostility.

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Carl Racine: We don't approach the Bible.

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Carl Racine: With uncluttered mines and people who think they can just open up the Bible and hear what it has to say directly to them or ignoring the fact that they're reading has been shaped by centuries of human tradition.

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Carl Racine: Essentially, telling us what we expect to find there in the Bible, so in my class on the Book of Hebrews I made what I think was an unprecedented decision that before looking at the text before.

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Carl Racine: Actually, opening the Bible, we would spend the whole first half of the year, looking at the history of that human tradition at the Christian anti Judaism that has obscured and distorted how we read the scriptures.

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Carl Racine: Because we tend to read the Bible as Christians, with a bias against Jews and Judaism conscious or unconscious that we have inherited from our traditions.

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Carl Racine: And I want to be quick to say, this has nothing to do with how you feel personally about Jews about your Jewish neighbors your Jewish co workers.

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Carl Racine: i'm not accusing anybody of being anti Semitic and that's why I make a difference with the anti Semitism which is is a hatred of Jews as Jews, as people and anti Judaism, which is looking down on the Jewish religion.

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Carl Racine: And we've been handed anti Jewish ways of interpreting the Bible and they've shaped our theology, and they continue to be taught in the Church, even at Bethel.

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Carl Racine: Judaism has been viewed as the wrong sort of religion and oppressive religious system that Jesus came to free us from.

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Carl Racine: So if you get that sort of sense from a sermon start to have a question in your mind about it don't simply accept that as gospel truth.

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Carl Racine: So Jews are thought to be all about legalism and works righteousness what Christians are all about love and grace and freedom.

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Carl Racine: And when we read the Gospels we've been conditioned to see the Jews, as the bad guys as religious hypocrites who mindlessly adhere to empty rituals and customs, whereas we Christians have been given a superior religion that's above all that.

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Carl Racine: And one of the clearest examples of the distortion, this is created in our reading the Bible is that traditional Christian theology has essentially admitted the history of Israel.

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Carl Racine: From it's telling of its own story from the way we understand ourselves and the way we talk about who we are and who God is.

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Carl Racine: The Christian story that we tell ourselves moves from creation to fall so genesis 123 to redemption in Christ skipping over everything in between and that's what we call the Roman road to salvation which many people think of as the heart of the gospel.

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Carl Racine: And i've been arguing that this narrowing of the Gospel that grew out of the churches rejection of its connection to Israel.

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Carl Racine: damaged Christianity in no small measure boss was the Old Testament focus on this world which we're going to talk about a lot more in the next section.

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Carl Racine: On the goodness of creation and its pleasures on the communal nature of salvation.

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Carl Racine: on justice, here and now, for the poor and marginalized on the Covenant responsibility of what the Jewish tradition called tikkun olam repairing and redeeming and blessing, the world.

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Carl Racine: Judaism could have been god's balancing voice to the individualistic intellectualize spiritual eyes otherworldly message that Christianity is proclaimed.

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Carl Racine: But the Roman road has none of that because it's a direct product of Christian anti Judaism and, ironically, for me.

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Carl Racine: The Roman road was constructed from three verses lifted out of context, in a letter in which Paul is wrestling intensely and painfully with the whole issue of israel's place in god's plan of salvation.

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Carl Racine: And indeed i've repeatedly use what Paul says in other parts of that same letter to construct a counter argument to the Roman road.

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Carl Racine: A different path or understanding what God is doing and how Gentile Christians fit into that plan and, of course, the title of this course that we've been doing Jewish roots comes from Romans 11.

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Carl Racine: So it's my contention that we've lost our ability to read and understand the scriptures properly because of our attempt to make Christianity intelligible apart from the story and teachings of Israel.

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Carl Racine: Christian anti Judaism has blinded us.

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Carl Racine: to how to interpret the Bible, and has robbed us of many of its treasures and in this course i've been trying to rectify some of that to explore some of the ways in which Torah continues to be god's word for god's people.

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Carl Racine: And to think about what it means for us that God is still committed to the Covenant that was made with Israel.

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Carl Racine: So the approach i've taken in this course is that of the African bishops we've been trying to listen to and learn from Jews learn things that will enrich our understanding of Jews, of the scriptures and of our Christian faith.

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Carl Racine: And the more I study and reflect the more i'm convinced that this is vital for the Church.

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Carl Racine: I believe dialogue can be a two way street we're talking about Jewish, Christian dialogue there's things that Jews can learn from Christians but i'm hesitant at this point time see what those things are.

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Carl Racine: i'm happy to engage in dialogue, but I feel like my role is primarily to learn at this point.

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Carl Racine: And of course we won't always see things the same way and



that's okay that's the whole point of dialogue, but as amy Jo levine says in one of her memorable phrases, we can learn to disagree, without being disagreeable.

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Carl Racine: Or, as the Talmud says we can learn to argue for the sake of heaven for the sake of a greater understanding of the divine mystery, we can leave our egos at home.

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Carl Racine: and Professor levine again makes an insightful and again typically witty comment on this whole venture of Jewish, Christian dialogue.

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Carl Racine: She says, Jews and Christians will disagree Jews will also disagree with other Jews and Christians with other Christians, the day that Jews and Christians agree on everything is the day the Messiah comes or comes back.

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Carl Racine: But we do have more in common than we think that what we have in common, can be the starting point for mutual respect and cooperation and dialogue and genuine friendship.

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Carl Racine: So that's point one comments questions.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: I just wanted to say that I completely enjoyed the program last week and found it very rich in discussion and certainly could have gone on for another hour and a half or so i'm glad that they're going to be follow up sessions, that I will follow and watch but.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: I guess what i'm now understanding.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Are the hurtful things that Jewish people are describing that have happened to them because of Christians and again, as I had mentioned, maybe last week or so i'm not pollyanna ish but I

don't believe.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Overall, the AMA church has at least the churches, I belong to a couple of them practiced or made a practice of denigrating Jews and.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: You know, saying that they were Christ killers I don't ever remember that ever been taught to me.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: So that's why this is a very enlightening class and then to speak to my Jewish friends who have said yeah my when I was a kid my friends call me Christ killer and you know, and now I have a client right now in another state, who is.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Half Jewish and gave his.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Painful things that have happened to him as a result of the one side of his family, not accepting the other side of the family, because of this whole conversation of who killed Christ.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: So yeah it's it's been a real awakening for me, so this series that we're going through what that we participated with last week was quite good, so thank you Merrill.

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yeah.

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James Williams: A call if I were a professor and you want my students.

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James Williams: I would certainly have to give you not only a passing grade, but an excellent great, and I think that you're touching on something that is.

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James Williams: So relevant, not just for this issue that we're talking about with sibling rivalry in the Jewish community in the Christian community but.

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James Williams: A lot of times in this social structure that we're in is there is this misinformation and you know if you're consistently bombarded with bad information your insight on a subject is going to be skewed there was a program on TV last night that was talking about how.

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James Williams: The years of negative negative information and in a lot of times with black and white encounters.

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James Williams: You know I mean you know, two black men walking down a dark area, and then they you know what what's up you know there's some crew lack going on and sometimes you know, of course, with.

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James Williams: With the white Community I mean with white people walking down if there's a whole different perspective, but this whole notion that you're putting forth about.

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James Williams: Coming to the word with these kind of biases already in our DNA in our spirit we can't read this thing correctly and that is a powerful and strong issue, I remember as a kid, you know as an example, I would read a lot of very negative.

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James Williams: kind of literature and one of them was called trick me.

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James Williams: And trick baby was about hustle is pimps in pockets and all that stuff and it was kind of glamorized in the Community, that I was in that a lot of that was going on now never forget that they said one time that the best way to get a woman to respect you is to give her a backing.

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James Williams: I mean that is so far from what's real what's true and what's effective, I mean I can't imagine how how you know how far away, that is, from an effective relationship with a woman.

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James Williams: And we are constantly bombarded with that and sometimes it's a little subtle kind of thing and you've picked up on a lot of those subtle kind of things that we have.

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James Williams: This, in our DNA and cause us they have these these negative connotations now you know, in the word it often talks about how when you're coming together how strong, powerful It is like the tab or Tower of Babel, and all that stuff.

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James Williams: You know, when we came together during this time, during the civil rights movement me some powerful stuff happened.

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James Williams: Powerful stuff happened, you know, and I live during that time and I never ever realized how significant that was until I got old and you're looking back.

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James Williams: I think we're now in one of those seasons to with this, you know the black lives matter, and this economic crisis and the pandemic, I think this is one of those times also.

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James Williams: And I just think call that you're touching on something that's powerful and if we can get this kind of understanding in our DNA, we could go a long ways.

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Carl Racine: yeah that was actually one of the main points of.

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Carl Racine: The webinar that we're on Tuesday the quote I have here

from Eric word, he says when blacks and Jews have come together in coalition America great things have happened.

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Carl Racine: But you're right, the need for education is important, then they talk they talk quite a bit about.

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Carl Racine: The whole issue of Holocaust education and the kind of ups and downs of that and the importance of that in America.

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Carl Racine: I mean when you have people ignorantly comparing.

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Carl Racine: mask mandates to what the Nazis did.

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Carl Racine: boggles the mind I mean there's there's no remote command comparison between the two it's better comparing that to the fact that we have stopped signs and red lights that.

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Carl Racine: was for us right.

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Carl Racine: or our as our lovely Marjorie Taylor Green said this week they're they're using dispatcher tactics.

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Joe Murchison: Hello.

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Carl Racine: You don't.

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Carl Racine: These people aren't doing you know.

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Carl Racine: Einsteins by any stretch man who was Jewish, by the way.

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Carl Racine: So, as it gives them and that's what black history month is all about, as well the importance and.

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Carl Racine: Actually, kill you be interested in this one of the people on the temple Israel thing we were we had breakout rooms, we had very long discussions that were really great and one of the guys in my group who is a member of temple Israel is from India.

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Carl Racine: And he's an Indian do and.

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Carl Racine: Remember, you gave me some information and i'm not quite sure it's.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: As they.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Were as you talked about he talked last week and we've talked earlier about.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: The Spanish Inquisition, and some Jews converted, but other Jews were kicked out and some of them were kicked out to Carol of the state of Kerala.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: In India, where i've been and i've now seen the Jewish synagogue one of the oldest ones in the area, so I wonder if he's from Kerala, which is in South India.

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Carl Racine: don't think he said, where, but he he said, there have been Jews in India, since the 12th century right and but so so that was fascinating that he's a member of temple Israel and but, but what was also really interesting he said when he came he came here to study

at Harvard.

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Carl Racine: And he.

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Carl Racine: When he came here as an Indian Jew, he knew nothing about American slavery and that whole system he'd never been educated in that, and he knew nothing about the Holocaust.

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Carl Racine: He said they had gotten lots of education about you know, do the reason Jews came to India and persecution never a word about the Holocaust so yeah education is a huge thing sister Marie.

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Marie Doubleday: yeah i'm my you know i'm working with the naacp down here with the school system with integration for curriculum and it's by the grace of God that i'm not walking around bald.

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Marie Doubleday: i'm i'm serious when I say that my day and i'm in full support of integration of all costs into the American school curriculum, you know I mean.

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Marie Doubleday: I actually felt that a pretty good job was done in malden, which was a school that was pretty much get to the current back that, however, my concern is is that.

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Marie Doubleday: folks in power will take the hard costs and downgrade African American curriculum inclusion and it's it's in the reason why i'm sorry if my tone is low because it angers me is.

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Marie Doubleday: Because they were afraid and they can't face it Okay, but we've all you know us who identify as European Americans if we were raised right, we were raised, knowing the history, my father made sure I knew.

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Marie Doubleday: The history as he knew it and guess what i'm still alive and breathing and i'm feeling intact.

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Marie Doubleday: All right, you can do that it's not an issue that I think that's just an excuse, but we must my my point of it is, is it must be done in collaboration, because I don't i'm fully in support of Jewish studies, not a problem, but I don't want African American studies kicked to the curb.

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Carl Racine: No, no, they actually the the webinar on Tuesday actually talked a bit this specific topic and how this is one of the their examples.

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Carl Racine: of how a wedge is trying to be put between the two communities and they specifically gave the example of Florida that recently has kind of revived the Holocaust studies stuff, although they brought in evangelical Christians to.

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Carl Racine: Somehow work on the Holocaust education project for some reason.

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Carl Racine: And downgraded the black studies stuff as a way of putting away so now, you have the black Community saying well those Jews, why do they get the attention and not us.

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Carl Racine: The same thing happens in reverse ways right, and if it, and so they were saying if we allow this to happen if we allow this weds to be put the kind of redlining that when I the kind of red line they went on here in Boston, it is no accident.

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Carl Racine: That in the 1960s, a coalition of real estate agents and.

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bankers.



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Marie Doubleday: I remember that.

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took.

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Carl Racine: The influx of black people largely from the Caribbean, who are coming to Boston and.

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Carl Racine: The Jewish community move them.

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Carl Racine: into the Jewish part of dorchester.

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Carl Racine: Protecting the Irish part and they and and making the Jews leave blue hill Ave and grove hall.

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Carl Racine: And Nash, Japan and all the rest right, this is so, this is the kind of wedge thing, and if we see it as a zero sum game if we see it as either Holocaust information or black studies information we fall into the trap.

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Carl Racine: And so I agree sister Maria both are important, but we also have to recognize that this just isn't accidental.

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Carl Racine: Oh there's.

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Carl Racine: That there's this this kind of.

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Carl Racine: divide and conquer mentality out there by people who.

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Carl Racine: who are afraid of the the black Jewish coalition or the black Jewish cooperation so.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Anyway, that well.

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Carl Racine: That was very much the point.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: To support what you're saying brother carlin and sister Maria I put an article.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: In today's Boston globe, that you should read I haven't read all of it, but I wanted to highlight it because there is specific legislation taking place across the United States that is going to.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: severely compromised the truth telling in the educational school systems around the country.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: The article says republican led legislators in several States passed laws last year to ban or limit schools from teaching that racism is infused in the United States institutions.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And while students in those states are still learning about activists like I to be wells clinical coven.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And areas like reconstruction and the civil rights movement some teachers are also exercising a quiet restraint that's the whole purpose of it.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: I was impacted when trump was an office, and he passed that God awful band were federal contractors could not teach diversity and some of my.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: work was interrupted because of it well that's continued now with these Republicans, who are in addition to try to decimate voting rights are also putting.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: curtailing how education is taught, particularly with black history Now you can imagine if it's starting with us.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: The Jewish community is going to be included, also in terms of how the Holocaust is going to be taught so be aware of this, we need to push back vigorously and if it if it comes anywhere close to Massachusetts I will fight it tooth and nail.

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Marie Doubleday: But but it's just not Carol i'm sorry about the tone of my voice, because this is something that.

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Marie Doubleday: We were shut down just wait um.

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Marie Doubleday: It it's the entire country.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Oh that's what i'm saying.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: This is this is across the country the article deals with the whole country.

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Marie Doubleday: Not just Massachusetts let me hold on to the talk use it for a minute and I love you my sister, you know that um.

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Marie Doubleday: it's interesting being involved with the naacp because one of the reasons why there's interesting you find out what's going on in other parts of the country, just like with this group here, we got people all over the place, and how.

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Marie Doubleday: things are done in other regional parts of the country is different, as to how it's done here, and I think it's important that we know because they can take their games.

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Marie Doubleday: From maybe Texas or not, and bring them up here and we have games here people we have games here trust me all right sorry once again about the tone of my voice it just angers me.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: yeah, I just wanted to alert this article does with the entire us it's not just.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: The publican legislators across the country that are absolutely determined to reverse the course of history and it'll deal with black history Jewish history Hispanic history and just wait till they get to the indigenous people.

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Marie Doubleday: Right well we've already we're already did yeah that's a whole different we can talk our way to but i'm once again get involved with a national organization.

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Marie Doubleday: Where they have units throughout the country so that you'll you'll get familiar with what's going on, thank you, thank you Calvin let me speak.

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Joe Murchison: There is a Washington Post opinion piece today talking about the internationalization or the International phenomena of denying history unpleasant history, and that includes Germany and the Holocaust.

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Joe Murchison: So it's not just national its Internet.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: International.

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Carl Racine: yeah because education is the key brother, mark you have your hand up.

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Carl Racine: you're on mute.

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Marc Germain: yeah hi I was just gonna just add quickly to the comments that were said earlier, I think one of the things that are particularly relevant.

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Marc Germain: To you know, being part of this class, I know that yesterday Qian and I we went out to on a date for the first time and I don't know, two years or something, but we ended up.

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Marc Germain: To this restaurant nita and one of the things which actually to this point of you know the importance of this education in particularly sort of the divide that is being pushed I think between black and Jewish communities is even around this issue of Palestine and around.

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Marc Germain: Issues going on the West.

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Marc Germain: bank and how that can be weaponized to kind of create schisms in our communities and that's something which.

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Marc Germain: You know we're sitting, and we were just talking with you know other folks that are there.

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Marc Germain: But it's like you know, without having it's like we're having this conversation and people like you know what about this will be goldberg thing what's going on in the West Bank and like without this education.

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Marc Germain: You really are kind of left flat footed, and so I was very thankful to have been part of this class and be able to speak intelligent intelligent.

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Marc Germain: articulate and be like no will actually is little more complicated there's some explain so um, but I think the other thing which is important, is because it's education as we're talking about is you know if not taught.

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Marc Germain: A lot of people just come to the table with like you know, really, you know deep misconception.

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Marc Germain: And it's like they think that they're educated, but they've really you know whether it's from the Church from their parents from the schools.

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Marc Germain: They come with really deep misconceptions misconceptions around these issues and and and it's going to take a lot of effort to kind of challenge that so that's what i'm saying.

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Carl Racine: So that I mean that you know the obviously that's been my purpose in this course and.

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Carl Racine: i'm.

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Carl Racine: Sorry that's my phone um but but.

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Carl Racine: It was gonna say I mean that the the the the need for education, for misconception that's the other encouraging thing to me about.

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Carl Racine: temp had the relationship Bethel has with temple Israel and the fact that we are in dialogue with another, we should be doing more of it, but to be able to sit down and have conversations.

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Carl Racine: That both help us learn and help dispel you know misconceptions to be on the zoom meeting with.

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Carl Racine: Indian do for the first time in my life, to have a conversation.

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Carl Racine: With an Indian Jew I can't think of Jews, the same way I did, even though I intellectually knew because sister Carol gave me this information about the synagogue in India, I now have a visual picture in my head of an Indian zoo and i've heard him talk and that that that that.

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Carl Racine: complicates things widened things makes things more interesting for me, because just of having that conversation so yeah we that that sort of stuff is really important, and that's been part of the.

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Carl Racine: The point of this course, can I go on to one, maybe even two more point, but let me do one.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Can I just just one quick thing I put in the chat room.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: If you want to hear the voices of our young people from Bethel and how they feel about black history month, including six year old Mara is your main I put the link in there.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: where she talks about black and she was not coached at all this, these were her thoughts, where she says that black history month, it is important, the way she articulated her important, so you could watch that video at the link in the chat room.

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Carl Racine: All right.

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Carl Racine: So obviously learning is is is a key but.

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Carl Racine: A second point is.

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Carl Racine: From the example that from amy Jo levine from something that she said in one of her books she's a Jewish New Testament scholar she grew up in new Bedford amongst largely Christian friends and.

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Carl Racine: and experience, both friendship and hostility towards Jews.

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Carl Racine: As part of growing up as part of her personal experience.

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Carl Racine: But she if we go to slide number 22 sister Carol.

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Carl Racine: She comments on her first encounter with reading the New Testament which was an unusual thing for a Jewish person to do it her in her age.

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Carl Racine: you're on mute.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: i'm sorry I said i'm pulling up the old deck I had the new.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: set of slides that you sent me.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: So just keep talking.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: i'll pull it up.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Okay, all right i'll i'll pull it up in just a second.

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All right.

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Carl Racine: I mean, she she was a pretty brave person, she was fascinated with Christianity and you want to learn more about it, and she end up doing a doctoral dissertation on the gospel of Matthew but reading the New Testament was really uncharted waters for her.

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Carl Racine: and her initial thought the thought of her friends and relatives or Jewish friends or relatives or this is crazy the New Testament justice anti Semitic document.

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Carl Racine: But.

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Carl Racine: She comments on that and get the slide i'll show you what she said.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: And I was so proud of myself, because I had the new deck already.

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Carl Racine: yeah there you go.

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Carl Racine: She says.

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Carl Racine: I had fortunately been inoculated against seeing only hate my Christian friends had modeled for me the grace and friendship that are at the heart of the Church.

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Carl Racine: My parents told me that Jesus was the Jews speaking to other Jews, and that is basic message was exactly the same as that of Judaism.

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Carl Racine: To love the Lord your God and to love your neighbor as yourself, so I knew that although the New Testament could be read as anti Jewish it did not have to be read that way.

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Carl Racine: And that sentence of hers was what got me started on this whole enterprise, when I read that 10 or 12 years ago.

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Carl Racine: The New Testament can be read as anti Jewish and has been mostly in the church read that way, but it doesn't have to be read that way, and the whole Bible doesn't have to be read that way.

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Carl Racine: So the pain that was caused by the anti semitism that she experienced from Christians calling her Christ killers and all that wasn't eradicated, but at least it was offset to some extent by the loving behavior of her Christian friends so she could feel.

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Carl Racine: At least able to open the New Testament read it study it and now encourage other Jews and Christians to do the same and you see a picture here.

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Carl Racine: She and this other man in the picture mark rattler co edited the Jewish annotated New Testament which we've talked about before and here they're presenting a copy of it, the Pope Francis which I think is lovely.

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Carl Racine: She was able to help Christians, at least some Christians, including me rethink their understanding of the New Testament and challenge them, most of all.

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Carl Racine: To look more closely at the misunderstood do Jesus, which is the title of the book that.

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Carl Racine: This quote is from and that I think has been a great gift to the Christian world and to me personally and that's all because she had some Christian friends.

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Carl Racine: who loved her who acted, not with hate, but with love and I want to suggest that that's The second thing we need to keep in mind, I shouldn't really have to suggest this but to see how important this is.

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Carl Racine: We must first here when Jesus says to his disciples as you do, to the crowd as you do, to the least of these my brothers you do to me and Matthew 25 talking about.

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Carl Racine: clothing, the naked and visiting people in prison and a cup of cold water, we need to understand that literally as you do, to the least of these my brothers who were Jesus brothers well according to Matthew and mark their names were James Joseph Simon and Judas.

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Carl Racine: or in Hebrew yaakov yosef Shimon and yehuda.

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Carl Racine: So when we look at our Jewish neighbors we must see not only the image of God, but also the face of our brother Jesus in their faces and we need to not only recognize but repudiate the sinful history of not only anti Judaism, but anti semitism.

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Carl Racine: That were we've been our church has been a part of acknowledging that most of those who killed Jews during the show during the Holocaust were baptized Christians.

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Carl Racine: So Christians shouldn't be leveling the charge of Christ killers against Jews, but rather acknowledging that, throughout history, we have been guilty.

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Carl Racine: Of crucifying Jesus over and over again, because we have not been a light to the world, with respect to god's chosen people with respect to abraham's children.

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Carl Racine: With our estranged family we've not blessed them as we should have we've not followed Jesus command to be servants to them as he was for the most part.

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Carl Racine: We have not modeled the love and grace towards Jews, that we claim as the heart of our faith.

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Carl Racine: Instead, historically, his Christian behaviors erected this huge wall of separation between us, thankfully, some of that has come down, and we can only approach our Jewish brothers and sisters, with an attitude of humble repentance with grace with love.

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Carl Racine: not expecting that it will be really easy for them to forget 2000 years of hatred, but with the hope that from time to time,

they will be pleasantly surprised as Jacob was with esau and be willing to embrace us.

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Carl Racine: So I think i'll let people make comments I think it's almost time to close, so I have one more little point for next week, but we'll get to it if anybody has any comments or questions on that.

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Carl Racine: that's probably clear enough right.

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Carl Racine: Alright, so mall that over we'll come back with one final example short example next week and then move on to talking about life before death and someone close us out in prayer please.

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Marc Germain: Dear Lord We thank you for this time of fellowship We thank you for this time where we get to learn exchange We thank you for you know really just.

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Marc Germain: Ensuring that we are focused on loving each other as brothers and sisters in Christ, and in your family we pray Lord that you would give us wisdom and guidance for the week ahead.

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Marc Germain: We pray that you would give us grace and mercy we pray protection for all our brothers and sisters all around the world in these things we pray Jesus name amen.

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Carl Racine: amen amen.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: God bless everybody take care, have a good week happy super bowl Sunday afternoon.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: Our virtual class starts at one o'clock you're all welcome to participate, thank you all in Honduras new Mexico and

Maryland God bless.

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Val: Boston.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: By and of course Massachusetts.

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Carole Copeland Thomas: bye bye now.