

Understanding the Black Experience

Book recommendations crowd-sourced from responses to a single tweet comment on 10/13/19.

Books Recommended via Twitter (but not yet read, so I cannot vouch for their quality, or what is contained)

- *How To Be an Antiracist*, Ibram X. Kendi (this book was recommended multiple times and so moved to the top of my list)
- *The Beast Side: Living (and Dying) While Black in America*, D. Watkins
- *We Speak For Ourselves: A Word From Forgotten Black America*, D. Watkins
- *All American Boys*, Jason Reynolds
- *I'm Still Here*, Austin Channing Brown
- *Me and White Supremacy*, Layla F. Saad
- *White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide*, Carol Anderson
- *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, Richard Rothstein
- *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*, Isabel Wilkerson
- *Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation*, Latasha Morrison
- *The Color of Compromise: The Truth about the American Church's Complicity in Racism*, Jemar Tisby
- *Stamped From The Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas In America*, Ibram X. Kendi
- *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*, Robin DiAngelo
- *Under Our Skin: Getting Real about Race. Getting Free from the Fears and Frustrations that Divide Us*, Benjamin Watson and Ken Petersen
- *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry*, Mildred D. Taylor
- *Dear Martin*, Nic Stone
- *So You Want to Talk About Race*, Ijeoma Oluo
- *My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies*, Resmaa Menakem

Books I've Read and Recommend

- *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas
- *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, Michelle Alexander
- *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*, Bryan Stevenson
- *Woke Church: An Urgent Call for Christians in America to Confront Racism and Injustice*, Eric Mason

Other Resources, Experiences

- *Beyond Diversity/Courageous Conversations about Race* conferences: <https://courageousconversation.com>
- *Good Ancestor* podcast, Layla F. Saad: <http://laylafsaad.com/good-ancestor-podcast>
- *Be the Bridge* curriculum, Latasha Morrison: <https://bethebridge.com>; start with "16 Bridge Building Tips For White People": <https://bethebridge.com/docs/16Tips.pdf>
- *When They See Us* movie, Ava DuVernay: <https://www.netflix.com/title/80200549>
- *Brownicity* community and resources: <http://brownicity.com>
- The Next Question podcast, Chi Chi Okwu, Austin Channing Brown, Jenny Booth Potter: <https://www.tnqshow.com>