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**RACISM AGAINST BLACKS.**

Racism is the prejudice or discrimination based on skin color. It’s the belief that one race is superior to all others. Racism can also be seen as the belief that each race has intrinsic attributes. So in essence, racism against blacks is the discrimination of blacks or people with black or dark skin mostly by their counterparts with white skin. Today there are different types of racism against blacks mostly in the United states of America, Europe, Asia and southern Africa. Racism against blacks have come in different form and seems to metamorphose as time goes on. In this article we take a brief look at the types, causes, effects and possible solutions to the problem of racism against blacks.

Like I said in the previous paragraph racism comes in different forms and seems to metamorphose as time goes on. Examples of Types of racism seen include the Apartheid, jim crow rules, Systematic racism, subtle racism, colourism etc. So let me break down the different types of racism towards blacks starting with Apartheid. The Apartheid were a set of rules and regulations implemented in southern Africa mostly in south Africa by their white colonists. The aim of the rules where to subdue and impoverish the blacks and at the same time give white privilege and unfair advantage over the blacks. The blacks weren’t allowed to vote or contest for political positions. Also blacks were not allowed to enter the same schools as whites, the even went as far as conducting test when someone’s race wasn’t clear. This sets of rules made the blacks inferior and practically servants to their white oppressors. Next up is the jim crow rules, The jim crow rules were a set of rules that were set up in the southern United states of America or the former Confederate states. The aim of the jim crow rules were to permanently impoverish blacks during the reconstruction period. The rules where even used in judging cases against blacks. In the jim crow laws blacks weren’t allowed to attend the same schools as there white neighbours. Also blacks weren’t allowed to live in the same neighbourhood as whites, the blacks were confined to the ghettos. Blacks were not given voting writes. Blacks weren’t even allowed in restaurants belonging to whites. Black and whites had different seats assigned to them on buses and a black person must leave his seat if it’s requested by a white or risk beating or maltreatment by the police. There was also an anti black hate group that was operating to kill blacks, it was known as the ku klux klan (kkk). The KKK killed blacks in thousands and destroyed well to do black businesses. Systematic racism is simply a type of racism that is impeded in the constitution or giving a certain race more privilege above another. It involves recruitment of law enforcement agencies based on colour or the unlawful maltreatment and killing of unarmed blacks by the police for no reason eg George floyd. Subtle racism is the type of racism that occurs in mostly shops, malls or other centres of commerce where blacks are mostly snubbed or not allowed in because they feel the can’t afford it simply because of their skin colour. It can also be observed in restaurants or clubs where a black person might ask for a particular drink and the waiter says he doesn’t have it but right in the black guys front a white ask for the same item and is given. Colourism on the other hand is the believe that a particular shade of skin is superior to others.

Moreover, let’s take a slight look into the origin or the causes of racism against blacks. Racism against blacks can be traced back to Colonial times and cross Atlantic slave trade. The whites saw blacks as inferior to them. Many Africans mostly west Africans were forcefully taken bound in chains and put into boats and sent all the way to the new land or the Americas to work on the whites farms. This is because the wanted free labour. Blacks were practically seen as animals and were killed if the disobeyed their master, Also the children of the slaves were also used as slaves. This continued happening over time and so some whites till this day feel superior to blacks. Also stereotyping, the media especially the british media painted africans as mannerless fools that behaved like animals, also in current times most African Americans or blacks in general are seen as drug dealers or armed robbers just because a few involve in those bad practices.

However, every problem has a solution. Racism has been fought in different manners ways and forms. It has been fought both diplomatically and forcefully. A very common example of diplomatic fighter of racism was Martin Luther king jnr who fought against racism in America and the jim crow rules, also we have Nelson Mandela also known as Mandiba who fought against apartheid in south Africa. Those that preached the use of force against racism include Malcom x. Other ways racism can be stopped in modern day include teaching about equality in schools and giving hard sentences against racist, Declare the kkk a terrorist group and imprison police officers that are proven guilty of racism. Also a non governmental organisation known as black lives matter also set up thousands of rallies and campaigns throughout the world and on social media as the plan to curb racism by enlightenment of the public and exposing racist actions.

In conclusion, racism is bad as we’re all human and it should be stopped.