

## Dismantle Racism Book Reviews

The titles of the first books are:

1. His Truth is Marching On - John Lewis and the Power of Hope, Jon Meacham, 2020, nonfiction, 341 pages

This is an excellent biography of John Lewis written by a fellow Episcopalian. Meacham reflects on the theology which shaped Lewis and the 20th century civil rights movement.

2. So You Want to Talk about Race, Ijeoma Olio, 2019, nonfiction, 272 pages

This is an easy read. It's a practical discussion of topics including racism related to such topics as police brutality, micro aggressions, school-to-prison pipeline, model minority, and many others.

3. White Rage, the Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide, Carol Anderson, 2016, nonfiction, 246 pages

This is a sobering primer on the myriad ways African American resilience and triumph over enslavement, Jim Crow and intolerance have been relentlessly defied by the very institutions entrusted to uphold our democracy.

4. White Lies: Nine Ways to Expose and Resist the Racial Systems That Divide Us, Daniel Hill, 2020, nonfiction, 288 pages

This book delves into the structure of the white Christian church of the 20th century. The author investigates the ways it supported segregation and Jim Crow laws. He also gives advice on how to develop an anti-racism movement within the 21st century church.

5. The Hate U Give, Angie Thomas (2017), fiction, 444pp., age13+

This is a powerful story about a teenage girl who grapples with racism, police brutality, and activism after witnessing her black friend being murdered by police. The book won a 2018 Coretta Scott King Author Honor as well as other awards.