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### Racial Equality

Racism may be one of the most deeply embedded ideas in American society today, and many citizens just take it to be a part of what our country is. Many don't act or take action under the reasoning that "someone else will do it" or "it is just a part of society." It has been taken as a part of American culture that it is a part of history and a part of the way society works, to not treat races with equity that is.

My question is what makes someone an American?

The United States of America is arguably one of the most patriotic countries in the world, and we argue for freedom for all. Our country is built on the idea that everyone deserves free will and equality, but it has emerged that this freedom is just for the straight white man.

Why is it in a country preaching freedom and acceptance that we discriminate against others that are not that of our own skin color, or those that are different from us in general?

Everyone that resides in this country is an American and deserves to be treated as such.

In order to promote racial equality in our community a mindset needs to be accepted, such as that everyone was made equal and that they should be treated as such. By embracing this mentality, one can begin to promote reform in our community.

I advise for myself and others to begin to advocate, as I feel it is the best way to create reform. Stand up for what you believe in and speak to those who can make change.

Take change and stand up for what you believe in.