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# Eour Great Books in Confucius Holy Teaching Important for Our Spiritual Cultivation

**Confucius Analects** 

**Book of Great Learning** 

**Doctrine of the Mean** 

**Book of Mencius** 































# Racism is Real and Ugly.

Recent tragedies have re-surfaced historic and long-lasting racial and social injustice, which has permeated our society.

People demand and deserve change to a flawed structure for more racial and social justice.

Jimmy Carter: "People of power, privilege, and moral conscience must stand up and say 'no more' to a racially discriminatory police and justice system, immoral economic disparities between whites and blacks, and government actions that undermine our unified democracy. We are responsible for creating a world of peace and equality for ourselves and future generations."

Bill Clinton: "Fifty-seven years ago, Dr. King dreamed of a day when his 'four little children would be judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.' Today, that dream seems even more out of reach, and we'll never reach it if we keep treating people of color with the unspoken assumption that they're less human."

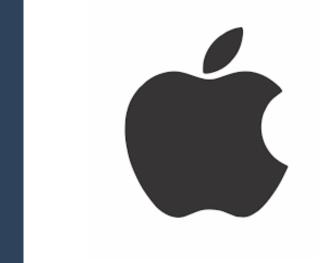
George W Bush: "It remains a shocking failure that many African Americans, especially young African-American men, are harassed and threatened in their own country. It is a strength when protesters, protected by responsible law enforcement, march for a better future."

Barack Obama: "Hopeful that so many young people have galvanized and activated and motivated and mobilized because historically, so much of the progress that we've made in our society has been because of young people. There is a change in mindset that's taking place, a greater recognition that we can do better and that is not as a consequence of speeches by politicians, that's not the result of spotlights in news articles, that's a direct result of the activities and organizing and mobilization and engagement of so many young people across the country, who put themselves out on the line to make a difference."











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06/12/2020: Committed \$100M to take actions and combat systemic barriers for minorities, e.g. people of color

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"What happened to George Floyd was not the result of a bad apple; it was the predictable consequence of a racist and prejudiced system and culture that has treated Black bodies as the enemy from the beginning. Slavery and segregation were systems of legalized and monetized white supremacy for which generations of Black and Brown people paid an immeasurable price. That cost must be acknowledged and the privilege that accrued to some at the expense of others must be reckoned with and redressed."



Unless and until white America is willing to collectively acknowledge its privilege, take responsibility for its past and the impact it has on the present, and commit to creating a future steeped in justice, the list of names that George Floyd has been added to will never end.

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We are all Leaders, with accountability and responsibility for our own actions. To be a good leader, we must understand our priorities and put forth efforts consistent with our priorities.

As leaders with Tao, we understand and commit to our True Self as our True Master, our rock and our foundation in life.

With faith in Heavenly Mother and our True Self, we aim to cultivate to get rid of our bad habits and temperaments, so our feelings, emotions, words, and actions originated from our six senses will be proper, in accordance with Tao and our True Self.

As leaders with responsibilities to lead others, we aim to act with benevolence, righteousness, and courage to promote for greater good selflessly, to earn the respect and support from others.

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By cultivating Tao diligently, we will become grateful for all the blessings received from our Heavenly Mother, honor our responsibilities to lead others with care and humility, and become a leader recognized for benevolence, righteousness, wisdom, kindness, and courage to perfect the flawed system for the greater good. By doing so, people will naturally gravitate, respect, and emulate the leader's virtuous actions for more peace and harmony in our community, without forceful mandates or decrees.

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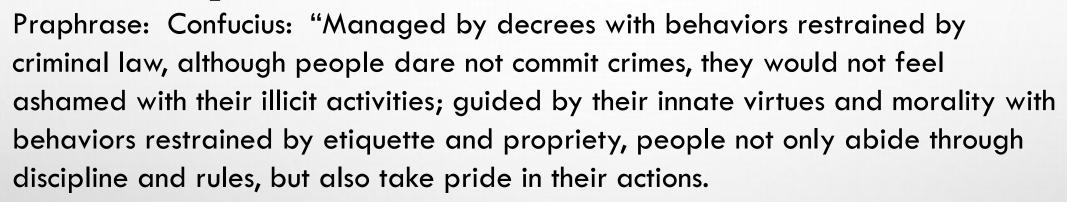
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The ultimate goal of a leader with Tao is through own virtuous leadership qualities and actions supported and guided by Tao and True Self, promote virtues, morality and proper behaviors in the society, so people could grow to care and support each other with honor and pride in their actions, with the understanding that our True Selves are equal and everyone deserves to be cared for and respected in our communities.







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With Tao and our True Self as our foundation, do not abuse our privilege, understand others' perspectives, respect and care for one another, and live with benevolence, righteousness, wisdom, kindness, humility, and courage for the greater good.

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Nancy Pelosi Calls For Immediate Removal Of Confederate Statues From Halls Of Congress



NASCAR bans Confederate flags at all races, events

Direct result of the activities and organizing and mobilization and engagement of so many young people across the country, who put themselves out on the line to make a difference. This journey of change will continue, on the basis that we are all created equal and racial and social injustice need to be recognized and addressed for the greater good.



Criminal Justice Reform Creating a fairer, safer, and more just system for all New Yorkers.



Governor Newsom
Announces New Policing
and Criminal Justice
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# What could we do to help eradicate racism for a better future together?

Maintain our faith in Tao and Heavenly Mother, as our spirits all originate from Heavenly Mother and we are all connected as One.

Cultivate ourselves, so our innate virtues in our True Self become our rock, foundation, and spiritual guide, to live with benevolence, kindness, understanding, compassion, and empathy for one another.

Get involved. Support the actions of leaders, whose courageous actions align with the Tao and Oneness, to promote unity, community, fairness, and access to opportunities for all.

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