



Conversations That Matter

The Intersection of Racial Justice and Life Issues

Recommended Reading List from Sam Rocha

- Plato, *Republic* (430 BC)
- Augustine, *Confessions* (circa 397 and 400)
- Pope Eugenius IV and Pope Nicolas V, *Romanus Pontifex* (Papal Bull, 1436 and 1455)
- Bartolome de las Casas, *A Short Account of the Destruction of the Indies* (1542)
- Sojourner Truth, *Narrative of Sojourner Truth* (1884)
- Ida B. Wells, *Southern Horrors* (1892)
- W.E.B. Du Bois, *The Souls of Black Folk* (1903) and "The Souls of White Folk" (1920)
- Carter G. Woodson, *The Mis-Education of the Negro* (1933)
- Billie Holiday, *Lady Sings the Blues* (1956)
- Martin Luther King Jr., "Letter From a Birmingham Jail" (1963)
- Cornel West, *Race Matters* (1993)
- James Cone, *The Cross and the Lynching Tree* (2011)
- Ibram X. Kendi, Introduction to the Penguin edition of *The Souls of Black Folk* (2018)