**Discussion Questions**

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**Discussion One: House we live in**

**Disparities that exist in the society**

Some of the major disparities prevalent in today's societies are the racial and ethnic disparities that have significant history tracing down to the pre-colonial era (James et al., 2017). While not everyone is bone with racial mindset, it has become common that even children and younger generations have purported its foundation. One of the major worrying trends is the alarming rate at which non-whites either stopped, questioned, or rather being arrested and injured at the hands of policymakers, the criminal justice system, and the healthcare sector.

For instance, in this series, it is reported that non-whites were not given the equity and financial support to expand on their housing plans while all the" whites" were granted such permits. Racial prejudices are at the heart of many societies. Such disparities are foreseen in the individual behaviour and attitudes but rather have penetrated and reached out to the elementary social and political system (Weisenfeld, 2020). As such, policymaking has presented numerous opportunities and advantages to the whites at the expense of other racial minority groups like Latin Americans, black Americans, and other groups perceived to be less inferior.

Wealth disparities are evident, with research suggesting that an average white person at the same level and undertaking the same task will earn more than a racial minority group within the society. Moreover, it is a common scenario to see benefits accruing to the white, which happens even not only because of hardwork but also because of laws, housings, customs, and court systems. Among all these disparities, the more common one is that of the justice system characterized by a bias applying law amongst individual members of society. One common instance of such disparities is 'Black lives matter," a movement that seeks to create a fairground for all participants. Moreover, through keen observation, wealth disparities are also evident across the spectrum.

**Consequences of not addressing these disparities**

If nothing is done to address all these disparities might continue into the near future, which has become a trend over the last 30 years as measured by the median income of the black households ranging from $106,900 in the year 1992 to the current value of $185,400 in the year 2019 (Chang & Lauderdale, 2005). Actioned-based intervention is thus paramount if there is a need to address these wealth disparities.

**Melting pot**

As applied in this narrative film, Melting pot denotes the common viewpoint that despite Americans having thrived in almost all aspects related to both social and economic prowess, it remains one of the most dangerous places when it comes to disparities and other discriminations (Bachelor, 2017). Despite all this, the phrase melting port denotes the Americanization that encompasses cultural assimilation and acculturation, amongst other alternatives. Moreover, it denotes the American image amongst immigrants who believe that it is the best place to attract mass populations who move into these areas to search for greener pasture. In my personal opinion, it best describes America over the years.

**Separatism**

Separatism in housing denotes the tendency to offer a room and other housing apartments based on racial and financial status. it is a common phrase to hear about public and private houses and the kind of care accorded to those dwelling the private houses. All these separations are unnecessary. The government should move in haste to solve this by integrating proper housing plans. Even though some view it as having economic benefits, its use is disadvantaged in the essence that it limits equity and transparency as well as disadvantaging other groups who might view themselves as inferior.

**Colorblind society**

The idea behind color blind lies in approach and change in one way to reduce racial biases by viewing people as people while disregarding the past racist. I think it is the best idea and thus the perfect solution. All persons living in society will eventually enjoy this connotation. It is different from equality in that it is much more as compared to equality which denotes fairness.

**Discussion Two: Civil Rights**

**Definition of equality and its optimal point**

Being fair and righteousness are some of the core concepts used to define equality in its broader and overreaching terms. According to the virtue of ethics and utilitarian ethics, fairness denotes the ability to treat everyone equally with stipulated values regardless of whether the person is privileged or not. Thus, the correct definition in my perspective is giving out and applying the same rights, social status, and other privileges within the society (Mouzannar et al., 2019). It is to a greater degree linked to morality and justice, which encompass even the distribution of justice through all federal state levels.

Even the constitution is amended to give every person the rights and privileges to make their own decisions regarding the type of leadership; another term that can act as a perfect definition is fundamental rights and freedom, which place everyone equal in the eye of the law. We can then say that equality has been reached because everyone is treated equally without any discrimination, are free to make their choices, and equal before the law. Equality will then serve as a basic benchmark for societal progress into the potential nearby future to remove inequalities and biases.

**Civil rights most prevalent today**

The united states constitution has provided a full list of civil rights that are fundamental for everyone within its federal borders. Even though such rights have existed from time immemorial, it is only important that a considerable focus should be placed on upholding them and applying them the right way without discrimination. Civil rights are those essential elements of any democratic state owing to its tendency of allowing each member to enjoy all the benefits that other members of the society are enjoying (Mouzannar et al., 2019). This importance lies in their ability to guarantee equal social and protection under the law regardless of one's religion, nationality, race, and another observable characteristic. One of the most important civil rights today is the right to a fair trial that requires immediate address due to ever-increasing discrimination in the criminal justice system based on race.

**Issue worth addressing**

In my submission, I tend to believe that racial and discrimination amongst the minority group require immediate attention from the federal and state arms of governments. Emphasis has to address the policies formulation as they are the major source of such discriminations.

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