



Burnett Avenue Baptist Church
 Bible Study
 Wednesday, March 18, 2026
 Dr. Daniel Corrie Shull, Facilitator

**THE GOSPEL BEYOND THE GRAVE: TOWARD A BLACK
 THEOLOGY OF HOPE — PART 4**
 Matthew 18 and Matthew 25

WORDS/IDEAS TO KNOW

- History is the record of and _____ of human events.
- Eternity is the divine mode of existence that is entirely outside, beyond, and independent of _____.

PEOPLE TO KNOW

Albert Raboteau was an American scholar of African and African-American religions. Raboteau's dissertation, later revised and published as the book *Slave Religion: The "Invisible Institution" in the Antebellum South*, was published just as the Black Studies Movement was gaining steam in the 1970s. It was seen in the line of revolutionary scholarship around American slavery incorporating slave narratives into mainstream history.

David Goatley is a Black American theologian who has served as the President of Fuller Theological Seminary since 2023 and is the author of *Were You There?: Godforsakenness in Slave Religion*.

William R. Jones was an African American philosopher, scholar, and professor. His scholarly interests included philosophy, Blacks in the field of philosophy, racism, theodicy and Christian theism, Black theology, and especially the operation of oppressive structures in American society. Jones is well-known for his 1973 monograph *Is God A White Racist?*

SUNDAY'S BIG IDEA: Human _____ does not negate _____ judgement.

WHAT IS FORGIVENESS?

WHAT IS JUDGEMENT?

LEWIS BROGDON
 foreword by Stephen G. Ray Jr.

HOW DO WE HOLD CONTRASTING ELEMENTS OF SCRIPTURE IN HEALTHY TENSION?
