

A hymn written especially for Racial Justice Sunday  
by David Haslam.

Tune: Rhuddlan

God forgive a sinful nation  
Racial justice not yet ours;  
People face discrimination  
By the strength of racist powers.  
More imprisoned, more degraded,  
More deported from our shores.

There is need for deep repentance,  
History tells a sorry tale;  
We look back with pained remembrance –  
Plundering on so great a scale.  
Grave oppression, exploitation,  
Built our wealth but left us frail.

Hence we need to work together,  
Black and white in God-sent task,  
Joining in a common struggle,  
Beating failures of the past;  
Following prophets and disciples,  
To our Lord still holding fast.