

Inquiry Question  
 How are interracial couples (Black Woman/White man) different than same-race couples, and how does being in that relationship shape their identity?

Nobody Wants Me

- girl is told ~~she~~ by her mother that "her mother died" not "her grandma"
- her mother's mother always treated her differently because she was still pissed that her mom had gotten w/ black man
- wouldn't play with her, talk to her

Black is bad, seen as evil, dirty and negative connotation. dislike/to much bad history between whites & blacks.

Cher's Commercial

Where do I belong?

- w/ BM couple, pregnant w/ second child
- upramp about first child, nobody cares about the second
- why is everybody mad? Is it because of the mixed babies or the relationship

Your parents family does not accept you. Because you have a "little" black in you. (Elaborate) Because you have a "little white in you": you are too good or preppy or think you are better than you black family.

fear that nobody would accept them. Black people church "cookout" family reunion. Does not share or have equal access to the same things. Different experiences. "kind of person one is not apart of the group that their made is."

The child was born into the "mixed" or biracial group. There's nothing they can do to change that but now they have to find a category and stick w/ it.

Identity

Identity is an important analytic tool for understanding society. A focus on the contextually specific ways in which people act out & recognize identities allows a more dynamic approach than the sometimes overly general & static triad of "race, class, and gender." When any human being acts & interacts in a given context, others recognize that person as "being" at a given time & place, can change from moments to moment. Being recognized as a certain "kind of person", in a given context is recognized as "being" context to context. Being recognized as a certain "kind of person" one is not apart of the group that their made is."

It can change from moments to moments, context to context, what he means by identity.

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3 Affinity Groups. One way of looking at "who a person is." "Make up of people who may be dispersed across a large area. They may share little besides their interest. What people in the group share, and must share to contribute an affinity group is allegiance to, access to, & participation in specific practices that give each of its members the same experiences. The process for which this power works is participation or sharing.

In this sense all people have multiple identities connected to their performance in society. See comes up with four ways to view identity but the ones I will focus on is Nature-Identity and Affinity Groups. Nature definition. Affinities are recognized as being

- write males
- Nature identifies only become identities because they are recognized as something that constitutes the type of person you are.