

**“So God created humankind in his image.”**

**(Genesis 1: 7)**

Yet we have wrenched people from their homes

***“It’s my face man.”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have torn families apart

***“Mama, Mama”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have shackled people and led them away.

***“I didn’t do nothing serious man.”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have loaded people into the holds of  
overcrowded ships

***“Please, Please”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have shipped people across the oceans

***“Please somebody.”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have auctioned people like animals

***“Man I can’t breathe, my face.”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have enslaved people and used their labour.

***“I can’t breathe, I can’t breathe.”***

Father, forgive us we beseech you.

Yet we have regarded some people as ‘more equal’  
than others

***“Some water or something.”***

***“I’m through”***

Father forgive us we beseech you.

***Extract from the last words of George Floyd.***

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