

## What's Wrong with "All Lives Matter"?

Black Lives Matter, as a movement, is NOT suggesting that white lives 'don't matter' or that black lives are 'more important'. What it does, however, is acknowledge centuries of systemic racism and the unique sets of issues that black people experience, which white people historically have not and do not face 'as a people' because of the colour of their skin (i.e. police brutality).

Using 'All Lives Matter' just derails the very important discussion we need to have about how Black communities are affected by racism. "Saying 'All Lives Matter' right now is like saying 'Save All Forests' in response to someone saying 'Save The Amazon'." Saying 'All Lives Matter' is like going to a cancer fundraiser and saying 'There are other diseases, too!'. Yes, every life matters, but Black lives are being disproportionately impacted and killed because of racism, and that's why Black Lives Matter is so important.

