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This quote suggests that there are no differences between people as we are created by God from Adam and Eve. Though the Qur'an acknowledges we are divided into different races, it then says Allah did this so we can live in harmony, not fight.

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This quote is a general moral command but can be applied to racism. Muslims must act justly towards one another or risk punishment in the afterlife. Racism is unjust and this is therefore unacceptable.

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Muhammad's final sermon makes it clear that the only thing that makes someone better than another person is piety. There is no difference between races, and no race is superior to others. Racism is therefore wrong.

