

SYLLABUS - "CASTE- THE ORIGINS OF OUR DISCONTENTS " by Isabel Wilkerson

In order to have a fruitful discussion of this important book, it is highly encouraged to read the assigned chapters each week. The instructor will email questions and talking points each week prior to each class. Video interviews with the author will be used throughout the course. Discussion and interaction is encouraged for maximum learning.

WEEK 1- INTRODUCTION AND BIOGRAPHY OF AUTHOR

PART ONE - "THE TOXINS IN THE PERMAFROST AND THE HEAT RISING"  
PART TWO- "THE ARBITRARY CONSTRUCTION OF HUMAN DIVISION"  
DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS

WEEK 2- PART THREE -"THE EIGHT PILLARS OF CASTE"  
DISCUSSION WITH VIDEO INTERVIEW

WEEK 3- PART FOUR- "THE TENTACLES OF CASTE"- QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

WEEK 4- PART FIVE - "THE CONSEQUENCES OF CASTE" - QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

WEEK 5- PARTS SIX- "BACKLASH"; PART SEVEN- "AWAKENING"  
QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION;  
CONCLUSION