

# Some of the Wisdom from Thomas Sowell



## Re: The Equality of Rights vs The Equality of Results

“Equality of rights does not mean equality of results. I can have all the equal treatment in the world on a golf course and I will not finish within shouting distance of Tiger Woods.”

## Re: Racism

“Racism is not dead, but it is on life-support - kept alive by politicians, race-hustlers, and people who get a sense of superiority by denouncing others as being ‘racist’.”

## Re: Diversity

“Is diversity our strength? Or anybody’s strength, anywhere in the world? Does Japan’s homogeneous population cause the Japanese to suffer? Have the Balkans been blessed by their heterogeneity — or does the very word ‘Balkanization’ remind us of centuries of strife, bloodshed and unspeakable atrocities, extending into our own times? ‘When in Rome do as the Romans do’ was once a common saying. Today, after generations in the West have been indoctrinated with the rhetoric of multiculturalism, the borders of Western nations on both sides of the Atlantic have been thrown open to people who think it is their prerogative to come as refugees and then tell the Romans what to do — and to assault those who don’t knuckle under. It has not been our diversity, but our ability to overcome the problems inherent in diversity, *and to act together as Americans*, that has been our strength.”

## Re: Charity

"It was Thomas Edison who brought us electricity, not the Sierra Club. It was the Wright brothers who got us off the ground, not the Federal Aviation Administration. It was Henry Ford who ended the isolation of millions of Americans by making the automobile affordable, not Ralph Nader. Those who have helped the poor the most have not been those who have gone around loudly expressing 'compassion' for the poor, but those who found ways to make industry more productive and distribution more efficient, so that the poor of today can afford things that the affluent of yesterday could only dream about."

## Re: Healthcare

"It's amazing that people who think we cannot afford to pay for doctors, hospitals, and medication somehow think that we can afford to pay for doctors, hospitals, medication, and a government bureaucracy to administer it."

## Re: Greed

"It is amazing how many of the intelligentsia call it "greed" to want to keep what you have earned, but not greed to want to take away what somebody else has earned, and let politicians use it to buy votes."

