

PART 2 *Click to watch*

RESOURCES

IS THE DREAM REALLY AMERICAN?

Entrepreneurship and "bootstrapping" have long been touted as the inevitable route to financial, political and cultural freedom. But, for Black Americans who have achieved these feats under duress and through travail, the liberty is often sold separately.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-06-27/what-racial-inequality-means-when-you-go-to-the-bank-quicktake>

<https://www.ncbusinesscouncil.org/black-businesses-matter#:~:text=In%20North%20Carolina%2C%20from%201997,to%202.6%20million%20in%202012.>

- 1 According to the [Federal Reserve](#) median wealth for white families is \$188k versus \$21k for Black families. What are some reasons that despite an increase in education, rises in wealth for all people and a surge in small business ownership among Black Americans that this disparity continues?
- 2 Black people are underrepresented in all professional fields - doctors, nursing, accounting, engineering, architecture, etc. Why do you think Black people are not more likely to enter these professions?
- 3 Have you ever witnessed a Black person citing racism as the reason for mistreatment when receiving a public service? What were your thoughts? How did you react?
