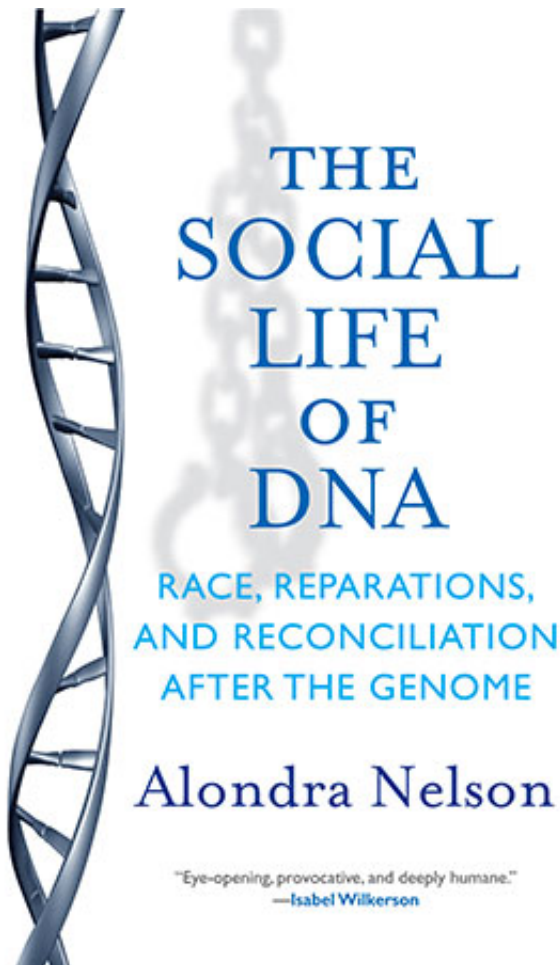


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[“Are These the Bones of Blacks?” An African American Social Construction of Justice](#)

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