

# Becoming Good Relatives

## Learning Resources

### Learn about the following, in order:

#### Doctrine of Discovery

- [What is the Doctrine of Discovery](#) (short article)
- [Doctrine of Discovery](#) (43 minute documentary)

#### Royal Proclamation of 1763

- [Royal Proclamation of 1763](#) (short article)
- [Broken Covenant](#) (27 minute documentary on the Royal Proclamation of 1763)

#### Residential Schools

- [The Residential School System](#) (historical timeline and info)
- [Crimes Against Children at Residential School](#) (CBC 5th Estate Episode) *\*Warning: This episode contains graphic descriptions of physical, psychological and sexual abuse*

#### Sixties Scoop

- [What Was the '60's Scoop'?](#) (short article)
- [Birth of a Family](#) (44 minute documentary on the '60's Scoop')

#### Current

- [We Can't Make the Same Mistake Twice](#) (3 hour documentary on disparities between resourcing for Indigenous and non-Indigenous children in Canada)
- [Colonization Road](#) (44 minute documentary on ongoing effects of colonization on Indigenous communities)
- [Reserve 107](#) (30 minute documentary on the relationship between a displaced Indigenous community in Manitoba and the Mennonite settlers who are living on their traditional land)

## Read the following books:

- [‘A Mind Spread Out on the Ground’](#) – Alicia Elliot (*from nearby Six Nations*)
- [‘1491’](#) – Charles C. Mann (*extensive and engaging history of pre-settler Indigenous society in the Americas – the author also has talks on YouTube that our Indigenous friends recommend*)
- [‘Native’](#) – Kaitlin B. Curtice (*Curtice is a Christian and member of the Potawatomi Nation, and speaks about the convergence of Christian faith and Indigenous roots*)
- [‘Indigenous Writes’](#) – Chelsea Vowel (*a collection of essays, and a great overview to understand a variety of Indigenous topics/issues/conversations/stereotypes, etc.*)
- [‘Indian Horse’](#) – Richard Wagamese (*a novel that accurately, dynamically and devastatingly captures what happened to children taken to residential schools – also a movie; be warned, both book and movie deal with intense themes*)

## Read the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada ‘Calls to Action’, especially in relation to calls to action for the Church:

- [UNDRIP](#): The first is the United Nations Declaration for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). Canada initially was one of four countries who opposed this declaration when it came out in 2007, but endorsed it in 2016, and last December introduced legislation to implement it.
- [Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action](#): The second is the TRC Calls to Action.
- [CBC Article about TRC Calls to Action](#)

## **Learn about land defense, through the lens of the current local struggle at 1492 Land Back Lane next to Caledonia and Six Nations:**

- [‘Beyond the Barricades’](#) - CBC article
- [Skylar’s Story](#) - 1492 Land Back Lane video
- [1492 Land Back Lane](#) - Episode of Canadaland Podcast

## **Follow an Indigenous podcast for a year (and support it on Patreon if possible):**

- [Unreserved](#) - CBC Podcast
- [One Dish One Mic](#) - Former podcast, now radio broadcast, local to St. Catharines
- [Medicine for the Resistance](#) - Podcast by our friend (and Becoming Good Relatives consultant) Patty Krawec, local here in Niagara
- [Media Indigena](#)

*These resources are a very limited list of ways to grow in understanding some of the basics of the Indigenous community in Canada/North America/Turtle Island, but may be a helpful start.*