

Family History and Cultural Identity: A Conversation with Gail Lukasik [32:12]

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What would you do if you learned a truth about your family history that uncovered an entirely new side of your own cultural identity? In this revealing interview, I talk with Gail Lukasik, author of the memoir *White Like Her: My Family's Story of Race and Racial Passing*, in which Lukasik tells the story of how a foray into genealogy resulted in the discovery that her family tree includes African roots. Beyond her own unique story, Lukasik shares insights on what her research has taught her about the history of racial discrimination, and the value of today's ongoing dialogue about cultural relations and equality.

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