Kyle: Do you feel like there's anyone in your life like maybe friends or family that you view as interacting people of color rudely?

Carol: My boyfriend.

Kyle: Yeah?

Carol: Yeah, I mean, we started dating my sophomore year in high school so we've, so we both came here. And, I don't know, he just thinks that Black people are rude, and loud that he doesn't call them the best things. His friends are all the same way, he is a farm boy so they all come from different backgrounds I think because African-American usually don't work on the farm, or work hard for things...

Kyle: Has there ever been a time he said something around you?

Carol: Yeah (laughs sheepishly)

Kyle: Have you ever said anything about it?

Carol: Yeah (laughs again). He doesn't listen though.

Kyle: If you don't mind you have like a story? The time or maybe he said something and you said something back? Or didn't say something?

Carol: Oh plenty. He'll just randomly say the N-word. They don't always use the cross walks here is so he'll suddenly have to stop around campus like at crosswalks not even 10 feet away and he'll just blare out the N-word. And it's embarrassing. I'm like, “Stop it.” And he's like, “No.”

Kyle: So whenever that happens you say something to about it, do you think that he ever takes it under consideration?

Carol: Maybe for five minutes (laughs).

Kyle: Is there, anyone else besides your boyfriend?

Carol: Some of my friends here, well one of my friends that's white she just thinks that they are loud and rude that they won't move over on the sidewalks when she's walking so she has to walk in the grass or the mud or something. They're just loud, and I agree I can't stand that they talk so loud when you're just right beside them or something. In the dining hall they will always be shouting. They are just loud and obnoxious sometimes.

Kyle: Do you know if this is going to kind of be a personal question okay?

Carol: Okay

Kyle: So you have identified behaviors that you have identified with your boyfriend that you do not like right? (uh-huh). So, here's the personal part, why do you stick with him?

Carol: I don't know. I love him. (laughs)

Kyle: Yeah?

Carol: It's not the biggest issue.

Kyle: Yeah?

Carol: It's just randomly that it bothers me.
Kyle: If you were, hypothetically, to get married and have kids... would that change things?

Carol: On... like what?

Kyle: Like, the way you talk to him about those things?

Carol: Well, it's only here at school. Where we are around the majority of them. Everywhere else it's fine. It’s when like they do something that makes him mad or something.

Kyle: Okay, is there anything that you think as a white person that we could do together as a people that we could do to have a better relationship with people of color?

Carol: Yeah, I feel like a lot of grandparents grew up at a time when there was still slavery so like they are still racist so I don't think that really helps, but maybe whenever that generation is pretty much gone things will probably be better (she laughs). And I'm sure there's still a lot of hatred against white people from them to so it probably goes both ways. I mean like we'll have clubs here on campus but it seems like whatever club that we have for both races there's a separate one just for black people which I don't understand. Because if we had one just for white people that would be considered racist. And that bothers me.