

CRITICAL RACE THEORY #6

The Hijacking of American History

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I. Introduction

Tomorrow is the day Americans celebrate our history as we mark the 245th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the birth of the greatest nation on earth, the U.S.A. We won't make it another 245 years if we forget these words of wisdom from the late President Ronald Reagan...

Ronald Reagan

Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free.

Our freedom is under attack today, not from enemies without but from enemies within, as President Lincoln once warned us...

President Abraham Lincoln

America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves.

Theme

The greatest internal threat to America is the ideology of Critical Race Theory, which is polluting our institutions, poisoning our young people, and putting us on the precipice of a second Civil War.

Tonight I want to take time to teach on how they're doing this...

Critical Race Theory
The Hijacking of American History

**‘Hijacking’ means an unlawful seizure.
But I’m not talking about ‘hijacking’ a bus or an airplane.
I’m talking about how these modern Marxists who support Critical Race Theory
are trying to hijack American history...and why.**

II. History Lessons

A. History is Important!

1. The great Winston Churchill once said...

Winston Churchill

Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it.

2. History teaches us that all totalitarian governments practice the rewriting of history as means of gaining power.

3. This idea was famously set forth in English author George Orwell’s classic novel ‘1984’, which was set in a dystopian society run by a totalitarian government known as ‘Big Brother’. Run by this rule...

George Orwell, in ‘1984’

Whoever controls the past controls the future. Whoever controls the present controls the past.

4. This is happening today where the modern Marxists are hijacking our history through the ideology of Critical Race Theory.

B. Hijacking History is Right Out of the Marxist Playbook

1. If anyone doubts that Critical Race Theory’s attempt to rewrite American history is rooted in Marxism, listen to the words of Marx himself.

Karl Marx

“The first battlefield is the rewriting of history. If you can keep people from their history, they are easily controlled.”

2. The Church needs to wake up to the warfare being waged on our history.

Dr. Jerry Newcombe

There is indeed a battle over the history of America. Much of the rioting in the streets of the last year has constituted a war on America as founded. Statues of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Teddy Roosevelt, and many others have been torn down by the mobs. Even Abraham Lincoln has not escaped the wrath of rioters.

Todd Starnes, "Cultural Jihad"

"The Left is bulldozing through American history. We the People are the only ones who can stop them."

3. Why do they do it? The great Vaclav Havel, who lived under Socialistic oppression explains....

Vaclav Havel, "The Dissident", 1979

Because the regime is captive to its own lies, it must falsify everything. It falsifies the past. It falsifies the present and it falsifies the future. It falsifies the facts.

Gary DeMar

The Socialists are all about rewriting history. They are involved in a vast coverup of much of America's Christian past.

C. What Are The Facts About America's History?

1. With the exception of Israel, no nation on the face of the earth has blessed human history like America.

a. W. Cleon Skousen called the founding of America "The 5000 Year Leap—A Miracle That Changed the World"-meaning that the world made more progress in the 200 years following the founding of America than it had in the previous 5000!

The 5000 Year Leap—A Miracle That Changed the World

"From the beginning of recorded history until the founding of the American nation, human civilization made relatively little progress. Those who came to the New World in the 1500s and 1600s were still plowing fields behind animals,

moving about in ox carts, and hand-weaving cloth the same way they had for thousands of years."

The 5000 Year Leap—A Miracle That Changed the World

"Then, beginning with Jamestown and Plymouth, something remarkable happened—the human spirit was set free, creativity flourished and experimentation abounded. Americans were learning how to experience freedom. After the proven principles of liberty were institutionalized by the U.S. Constitution in the 1780s, it took less than 200 years before 5 men were walking on the moon!"

2. Even our founding fathers were astounded by what they had wrought:

James Madison

"The happy union of these states is a wonder; their Constitution is a miracle; their example is the hope of liberty throughout the world."

3. True, America had an issue with slavery. But even after a bloody Civil War, President Lincoln said...

Abraham Lincoln

"America is still the last best hope of the earth!"

a. America is not now, nor has ever been, a perfect nation. But we have always been a great nation! A Frenchman said it best:

Alexis de Tocqueville

The greatness of America lies not in being more enlightened than any other nation, but rather in her ability to repair her faults.

4. The Marxists are fond of telling us that our founding fathers were white supremacist racists who owned slaves.

a. Our 1st President did own slaves; but set them free before his death. He said...

George Washington

I can only say that there is not a man living who wishes more sincerely than I do to see a plan adopted for the abolition of slavery.

b. John Adams, our 2nd President, never owned slaves, and said this:

John Adams

“Every measure of prudence ought to be assumed for the elimination of slavery from the United States. I have, throughout my whole life, held the practice of slavery in abhorrence.”

5. The Critical Race Theorists realize they have to hijack our history if they hope to control us. And their weapon of choice for rewriting American history is something called...

D. The 1619 Project

1. What is it?

The 1619 Project

The 1619 Project is a cultural re-education curriculum created by Pulitzer Prize winning New York Times journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones that seeks to rewrite the history of the United States.

a. The project is funded by George Soros and the MacArthur Foundation, which supports population control as a ‘major objective’.

The 1619 Project

The project claims America’s national history did not begin in with the Declaration of Independence in 1776, but in 1619, when the first African slaves were brought to Virginia.

The 1619 Project

The object for reinventing America’s birthdate is to prove that our nation’s founding was based on racism and white supremacy.

2. One of America’s leading evangelical leaders exposed it early on:

Dr. Richard Land, President of Southern Evangelical Seminary

If you want to remake America, you've got to tear down belief in the country we have now. You have to make the country we have now and the founding fathers and our institutions illegitimate — that's what the 1619 Project is about.

3. The Project was quickly debunked by numerous historians and scholars but still found its way into 1000's of America's public schools, which caught the attention of conservatives like Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, who was interviewed by CNN:

Mitch McConnell

Families did not ask for this divisive nonsense. Voters did not vote for it. Americans never decided our children should be taught that our country is inherently evil.

4. Kickback also came from notable African-American voices like Bob Woodson.

Bob Woodson

The 1619 Project is trying to define America by its birth defect of slavery and Jim Crow, and our counter is that no individual or nation should be judged by the worst of what they *used* to be.

Bob Woodson

America is a country of redemption. America is a country of second chances, and so we at 1776 Unites believe that America is defined by its promise, and the Constitution is a mechanism for us to be self-correcting. America is the only nation on the face of the earth that fought a civil war to end slavery.

a. Woodson has put together his own project called '1776 Unites', with patriots like...

Dr. Carol Swain

The 1619 Project sends a very crippling message to our children by conveying the idea that racism is in our national DNA. It says that no matter how hard you try, you will always be a *victim* of hopelessly racist America.

Dr. Carol Sain

I don't see any good that can come from attacking our monuments and those things that make us who we are.

5. It's time for the Church to wake up and realize how deeply the teachings of Critical Race Theory and the 1619 Project are poisoning our people.

Updated Fox News Poll

When asked, "Is the U.S. the best country in the world to live in?"

YES: 84% in 2011, 83% in 2015, only 69% in 2021

When asked, "Is the U.S. the best country in the world to live in?"

NO: Only 12% in 2011, 14% in 2015, now 26% in 2021

a. The stats are even worse with our young people.

In another new poll, 400,000 college students were asked the question, "Are you proud to be an American?" 57% said "No"!

6. This explains why disrespecting the flag has come out of the closet.

a. Last weekend, outspoken Black activist athlete Gwen Berry turned her back on the American flag as the national anthem played at the U.S. Olympic track and field trials. She also put a T-shirt over her head to protest racism in America, then said this in a later interview:

Gwen Berry

The National Anthem doesn't speak for me. It never has.

b. I found myself wondering why, if we're this bad, would she want to represent America in the Olympics at all.

7. The Christian solution to all that what we're seeing today is to get back to the Word of God and see how...

E. God Commands His People to Remember Their History!

1. Moses wrote these words to Israel when they were about to enter the Promised Land:

Deuteronomy 32:7

**Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations.
Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you.**

2. In Deuteronomy 4, God reminds Israel of their history.

Deuteronomy 4:7-8

"For what great nation is there that has God so near to it, as the Lord our God is to us, for whatever reason we may call upon Him? And what great nation is there that has such statutes and righteous judgments as are in all this law which I set before you this day?"

a. How can we read these words and not apply them to America? A great nation, once near to God, with laws and a constitution based on biblical principles. What's the danger?

Deuteronomy 4:9-10

Only take heed to yourself, and diligently keep yourself, lest you forget the things your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. And teach them to your children and your grandchildren...

b. It's up to each generation to teach a true history!

Deuteronomy 4:23

Take heed to yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of the Lord your God which He made with you...

c. In our case this would refer to the Constitution and the Bill of Rights established by our forefathers with the God of the Bible.

d. And beware of politicians who call themselves 'progressives'; these are usually people who believe our constitution is outdated and needs to be reinterpreted to address the issues of the day. Listen to the prophet Jeremiah...

Jeremiah 6:16

Thus says the Lord: “Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls.

e. The Bible also has instruction to the younger generation about their need to listen to the older generation...

Job 8:8-9 NLT

"Just ask the previous generation. Pay attention to the experience of our ancestors. For we were born but yesterday and know nothing. Our days on earth are as fleeting as a shadow. But those who came before us will teach you. They will teach you the wisdom of old."

f. My personal testimony is that we never outgrow our need for this!

3. This principle still applies today; God commands us to remember our history, hold on to our history, and let no one hijack our history!

III. Conclusion

A. Final Thoughts

1. My favorite quote on our subject is from one of my least favorite Presidents, Woodrow Wilson. He got this one right.

President Woodrow Wilson

“A nation which does not remember what it was yesterday does not know what it is today, nor what it is trying to do. We are trying to do a futile thing if we do not know where we have come from, or what we have been about.”

David Barton, The Role of Pastors and Christians in Civil Government

“This is true with America today. We have forgotten where we have come from and what we have been about, and this is especially true in the role of the church—of ministers and Christians—in the civil arena.”

a. Surveys tell us only 1 in 10 American ministers speak out on the political issues of our day; but early American pulpits were bold.

Rev. Matthias Burnet (1723-1783)

“To God and posterity, you are accountable for your rights and your rulers. Let not your children have reason to curse you for giving up those rights and prostrating those institutions which our fathers delivered to you.”

2. On this 4th of July weekend, let us become accountable once again for our rights and our rulers, and let us not fail our children in giving up the rights and institutions our fathers gave us!

Closing Prayer

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