

102.3 I Forgot

I Forgot Where We Were

One of the most essential elements of a society is its educational system. If the education system is pure, the students will learn all kinds of truth, including the correct history of their country. If the education system is flawed and corrupt, those in control will remove the authenticity and replace it with a contrived narrative that supports a despicable agenda. The foundation of our education system must be biblical, and it once was, as Founder **Dr. Benjamin Rush** stated in 1787:

Let the children...be carefully instructed in the principles and obligations of the Christian religion. This is the most essential part of education.

Rush reinforces Solomon's words in **Proverbs 1:7** (NKJV), which read:

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge,

I Forgot What They Did

America had no Federal Department of Education until Democrat **President Jimmy Carter** created it. For over two centuries, Americans controlled their education system at the local level, producing more outstanding thinkers than the now federally regulated system in place to indoctrinate children with an ungodly ideology. Carter put his piece in the Marxist jigsaw puzzle for America.

Those in charge of our education system have rewritten our history. Events are omitted or spun to fit the Marxist agenda. For instance, slavery was an issue in the American Civil War, but not the only issue. Georgia General John Gordon pointed out that if the Southern States wanted to keep slavery, all they had to do was lay down their arms and rejoin the Union. It was still legal.

The ex-European Marxists who immigrated to America seized the opportunity to divide Americans with slavery as a chief topic. They eventually set up the totalitarian control of the Federal government after the War Between the States concluded. The original Republican Party was not all that favorable to the plight of the enslaved people. **Abraham Lincoln** stated that if he could keep the Union by keeping slavery, he would have. By the way, he was not the "*Great Emancipator*" we have thought. His "Emancipation Proclamation" only freed the slaves in the "states of rebellion," i.e., the CSA, a country over which he had no authority. He did not mention slavery in the northern states. After the War, congress freed the slaves using an amendment to the Constitution.

The slavery practiced in America was and is wrong. If you are upset about the enslaved Africans brought here against their will, don't forget about the Irish who had similar fates, nor the record number of enslaved people today. Have you noticed the irony of our multi-million dollar professional basketball players who demonstrate against America but wear expensive athletic shoes furnished by slave labor?

Lest I get too far down the rabbit hole, let me return to the topic of American education, not the sin of slavery. Not only have the Marxists in the US Department of Education rewritten the Civil War (one of the privileges of the victor), they have rewritten the story of America's birth and early existence. Rarely, if at all, do our public school teachers recount the hand of God in the History of America. Generations ago, our ancestors would have taught the providential stories of the **Pilgrims, George Washington**, and others. Those accounts are no longer part of our past. We forgot.

Periodically, the Bible succinctly restates the history of Israel as in some of the Psalms and Stephen's speech in **Acts 7**. God's people need to remember their history and His hand. One of the reasons He instituted Passover was so the Jews would remember how He delivered them from Egyptian bondage. Ultimately, we seek our deliverance from the Lamb of God, Jesus, as He takes away the world's sins (**John 1:29**).

I have watched videos of Mark Dice and others as they conduct interviews primarily with college students and young adults. Occasionally, they throw in a few more mature adults, but the results are similar. The interviewees do not know America's history. They cannot answer simple questions like:

- How many states do we have? (Obama even missed that one).
- Who won the Civil War?
- From which country did we gain our independence?

I Forgot How Far We Have Fallen

Jimmy Carter's Department of Education is failing to educate Americans correctly but is successfully fulfilling its role of dumbing down our nation one generation at a time. By way of further illustrating this, take an eighth-grade final exam from 1895 and see if you can pass it. You will find that the eighth graders of that era had more knowledge than most college grads today. I have included the link in the notes (<https://newrepublic.com/article/79470/1895-8th-grade-final-exam-i-couldnt-pass-it-could-you>).

Our students today may not be able to think for themselves and do simple math problems, but they can recite the reasons they hate the greatest nation in the history of the world. Just like the young five-year-old white student who got into her grandmother's car after school and said, "*I hate white people.*" Upon deeper investigation, the grandmother discovered the girl's teacher taught CRT in their private Christian school, undermining its biblical principles. I guess even in particular "Christian" environments, hatred is allowed and encouraged.

We cannot forget what we never knew, but we can forget to search for the truth. Historical and biblical truths are important because they tie America together. The attitude of the Bereans in **Acts 17:11** (NKJV) should be our attitude in all areas. It reads:

¹¹ These were more fair-minded [noble] than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to *find out* whether these things were so.

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