

Episode 2 – Inquisition, Enlightenment, and the American Revolution

Greetings, this is Dr. JD with episode two of Mounted Conquest. As you know, during episode one I provided my background, as it relates to my growing up as a missionary Baptist before having a Pentecostal experience at age 12 during which God spoke to me and told me that I would be a minister. The night before this recording, the Holy Spirit put in my heart to provide some history that would explain in large part how we here in the United States of America have arrived to such a place of corrupt leadership and idiosyncratic conflicts between people. And those people primarily being white supremacist and right-wing extremists. So, the Holy Spirit has guided me to provide a history lesson that goes all the way back to 8th Century A.D. in the Iberian Peninsula better known as the countries of Portugal and Spain including a little bit of present-day France.

Now, as you recall from episode one, I lived and studied in Spain for an entire year. Mostly in Madrid but, I spent a couple of months in Barcelona, six weeks in Valencia, and a week of intensive study in Seville before returning to my apartment in Madrid. When I arrived in Madrid, Spain in 2001 it was ten days before 9/11. And as you know, I studied at the Universidad Antonio de Nebrija in Madrid, although I had learned my master's in business administration just before arriving in Madrid, Spain. Even having taken global business courses in Budapest, Hungary as well as Paris, France, I knew very little about the truth of world history. And that's to say the little that I knew at the time was a lot more than the average American. Here's why.

A big part of my learning language and culture in Madrid, Spain was being taught history. An accurate account of history. In fact, the teachers at the university knew Americans who came there to learn we're brainwashed into believing a version of history that simply didn't exist. Primarily because the version of world history that we're taught in the United States of America omits 90% of events that happened in world history for Americans to have a true appreciation for events that occurred before the American Revolution and the founding of our United States of America. So, studying Spanish language and culture at the Universidad Antonio de Nebrija in Madrid was an eye-opening experience, not just for me but, as well for my Nordic classmates.

One of the first things we were taught is the history of the Iberian Peninsula. It was made clear to us that the Moors in the 8th Century conquered the Iberian Peninsula. At least most of it and ruled it right up until the end of the 16th century. Now, we know that Moors was the name given to the Muslims who inhabited Morocco. So, the Moors of Morocco in Africa conquered the Iberian Peninsula in the 8th century and ruled the majority of the peninsula for 700 years. That's why if you visit Spain people in the Iberian Peninsula don't look like people in any other part of Europe including its neighbor France. And that's because Africans from Morocco the Moors ruled the Iberian Peninsula for 700 years. So, for 700 years Africans from Morocco, Muslims commingled and mixed with the Europeans who were there. So, unlike in Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Spain didn't have racial designations because it couldn't.

Many of the native Spaniards there had skin that was just as dark as mine. And of course, there were people there with white skin. But one thing about Spain is that you have the gamut of colors there. So, it was important for the teachers at the university to teach us this history of how the Catholic monarchs, King Ferdinand II of Aragon as well as Queen Isabella of Castile under a papal bull of a Catholic Church initiated what we know to be the Spanish Inquisition. Now if you were to do research about the Spanish Inquisition just like anything else on the internet you're going to see a highly censored and watered down truth and if it's highly centered and watered down is simply not the truth.

The Spanish Inquisition wasn't controlled by papal authority or the Catholic church however, we know that the papal bull gave King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella the authority to start an Inquisition in the name of Christianity. And very simply put, the purpose of an inquisition is a form of genocide. As I said, the majority of the Iberian Peninsula between the 700s and 1400s was under Muslim rule. Islam was the religion of the majority of that peninsula. Hence, the Spanish Inquisition conquered the Muslims. But not only did it conquer the Muslims, it pushed out the Jews. The last days of the Spanish Inquisition in Spain was exterminating the Jews. Now, if you do research online you're going to see a much varied water down version of true events that make it seem like the Spanish Inquisition wasn't as bad as it was and that the number of people killed may have only been in the tens of thousands which totally is not true.

Now, to bring more context to how serious the Spanish Inquisition was the city of Granada back then it was a whole territory. It was the name of the empire. Before the Spanish Inquisition the largest city in Europe was in Granada, right there in Spain. And the Spanish Inquisition annihilated the largest city in Spain which was a Muslim city. And it was the city to where Muslims fled when they were being persecuted in other parts of the country by Christians. Now, we know that during that time queens and kings were both the heads of state as well as the religious heads. So, queens and kings in Europe at that time because they were blessed from papal authority were also the absolute religious authority of their kingdom. Because as we know even from the bible, the Book of Kings for example that becoming a king was a divine right that came from God. And during this time of the Spanish Inquisition the Catholic Church supported this doctrine.

My mother and a cousin came to visit me while I was in Spain and we traveled to Portugal as well as to the south of Spain and to Granada to visit The Alhambra. We know under Islamic rule they didn't have queens and kings; their titles were Sultan. So, the Alhambra was the Royal Palace of the Sultan of Granada prior to the Spanish Inquisition led by Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand. And it was during this visit to The Alhambra that I learned that as soon as Queen Elizabeth and King Ferdinand took control of The Alhambra did Christopher Columbus meet them there to get his orders to discover the new world. All of that happened in the year 1492. Now, let's fast-forward 200 years to the beginning of the eighteenth century. Around 1700 in the country of France or the Kingdom of France when the period called the Era of Enlightenment began. Now, the Era of Enlightenment that began in France around the beginning of the 18th

century was surely the most significant era in modern-day history that defines who we are today in the United States of America. And this is why.

So, I said the Era of Enlightenment started right at the beginning of the 18th Century around 1700 but, if we backup 50 years from that point we'll recognize names like the Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei who with his telescope began to make all types of discoveries in outer space. As well soon after, a philosopher by the name of Sir Isaac Newton in Great Britain developed the theory of gravity. So, the beginning of scientific thinking began right about this time. And scientific thinking began to challenge a lot of what people believed with respect to what's in the bible for example.

Now, fast-forward 50 years from the discovery and new philosophies that came from this new scientific thinking brought about the Era of Enlightenment because now people were thinking about earth completely different. Because as we were taught in school, people thought the earth was flat. But of course, we know that the earth wasn't flat, and the sun didn't revolve around the earth; it was quite the opposite. The Earth revolved around the sun. Now, we round now rewind 1700 years to when Jesus walked the earth, we know that other than the Jewish people, everyone else believed in many gods. They were polytheistic. Especially, the Roman and Greek empires. Hence, Hercules and Heracles. And we know from the bible the pagan influences of Roman and Greek gods had on the formation of the Catholic church in Rome, Italy at the Vatican. And if you're not familiar with those influences, I would encourage you to study the influences of paganism on the formation and growth of the Catholic church in Rome. Now, back to the Era of Enlightenment where people are starting to think scientifically and starting to believe, hey, we shouldn't be ruled by kings. We the people should be ruling ourselves. We should be free to look at earth the way we want to look at it versus the way the Catholic Church wants us to look at it.

We shouldn't be ruled by whoever the Catholic Church says should be our King anymore. So, that was the Era of Enlightenment. That was the beginning of it. That is what was going on in early 1700 in France before the French Revolution. So, with this new exploration of thought that came along with science came accusations that religion was corrupt. Meaning, the Catholic church was corrupt. Of course, we know that with King Henry in Great Britain just a few hundred years earlier, he was absolutely corrupt to the core and disavowed papal authority and the Catholic church so, he and his own divine right could have as many wives and engage in as much adultery as he would like. Now, what's most important about the Era of Enlightenment during this time which is the philosophy that came out of it called deism. So, the awakening of the French people and their philosophy was called deism.

Now, it's important to know deism is because deism is anti-religion in many aspects. Deism is the removal of aspects of Christianity, Catholicism in the bible that includes revelation and anything supernatural like Jesus performing miracles. That didn't occur. Deism along with the period of enlightenment and the philosophy of deism was the push to remove spirituality from

religion in the bible. Hence, which meant removing revelation from the bible and then removing that Jesus performed miracles and anything supernatural.

But, what's also almost impossible to find during this period of enlightenment is invention of the races, white people, black people, and Oriental people. And we know that the invention of the races during this time was to provide scientific support for those with white skin being genetically superior to all other of mankind. And of course we know that this false scientific theory was propagated to make white slave owners feel as though they had a divine right from God to enslave Africans from the continent of Africa, oppress them, and even commit genocide if necessary. And we know that this false scientific creation of the races was propagated to provide those with white skin a false divine basis under God to commit genocide against Africans as well as enslave them.

As well it opened the door to depict Jesus Christ, a man who we know who was born in the region of the Levant and lived between there and Egypt was a white skinned man without melanin in his skin. Meaning Jesus Christ's skin didn't have pigment that we know is false for people who are native to that region their skin had to tan. And that's why people of that region are just as dark if not darker as many African Americans who have mixed here in the United States. So, this theory was propagated to justify white skin people depicting Jesus Christ as a white skin man, a heretical form of idolatry.

Now as we recall the American revolution occurred during the same time and we obtain our independence in 1776. Although the Era of Enlightenment is not cited for Americans seeking independence from Great Britain in large part it's the same beliefs and theories that fueled Americans no longer wanting to be under the Imperial rule of a queen or king especially one distant in Great Britain. In fact, the records show with the founding of our nation, our founding fathers with the First Amendment likely practiced deism. When we look back at the writings of people like Thomas Jefferson, we learn that the concept of religious liberties derived from the same deistic theories being propagated by people in France. And if we recall our American history, we know that the United States would not have prevailed over Great Britain and their great Army and Navy but for the help of France. Because it was the French Navy in the end that came and helped the patriots win the War of Independence. And with winning the War of Independence white Americans began to pervert Christianity with concepts of deism. And it was the adoption of these concepts of deism that became a basis to justify the basis of slavery of black people.

So, perversions of the word of God have always existed since the formation of the Catholic church in Italy where Roman pagan mythology had a lot of influence on the formation of the Catholic church that became the foundation of a lot of heretics that came out of the Catholic Church including the inquisitions and extermination of the Jews in the Iberian Peninsula by Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand right before they commissioned Christopher Columbus for his voyage. So, today in the United States of America we see many different types of the Christian church with the evangelicals largely being the abomination of the Christian church. The people who believe that blacks are inferior. The people who go to church on Sundays and

don't see people with darker skin colors as their equals under our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as though the story of the centurion Cornelius doesn't even exist in the bible.

But, thank God for the Pentecostal movement here in the United States of America since the beginning of the 20th century has sought to restore everything that these practicing deists under deism has stripped away from the bible and the practice of Christianity in the sense that there's an underlining belief that people were not created equal that supernatural events don't occur, that Jesus healed no one. But, of course we are now seeing a revival of the Pentecostal movement that restores exactly what is written in the bible and what Christians have always believed right up until the beginning of the 18th century when scientific philosophies began to strip away and deplume the most important aspects of Christianity to justify much of the satanic hooliganism we now see from our government leaders who invoke the name of God and Jesus Christ as though it's a dog whistle for white supremacy.

I hope that you found this episode two to be enlightening. It wasn't what I initially planned to speak on so, I presume that episode three should follow shortly. Thank you for listening. This is Doctor JD and until next time, God bless.