WHAT'S WRONG WITH #BLM?



Black lives don't just "matter." Like all lives, they are sacred and of infinite worth, because God created everyone in His image. Don't be fooled, though, by #BLM. You must look beyond the hashtag and understand what actually "matters" to Black Lives Matter. It's not good. Visit https://lcaction.org/black-lives-matter for more info.

#BlackLivesMatter has its roots in Critical Race Theory (CRT). CRT is an outgrowth of Critical Legal Studies and Critical Theory, which are an outgrowth of the ideas of Karl Marx.

Regimes like those of Vladimir Lenin, Mao Zedong, and Fidel Castro implemented Marx's ideas and the result led to the death of 100 million people in the 20th century. (12) In every country where Marxist ideas have been implemented, death and destruction have followed.

#BLM supports Marxism, and uses good people who want good things (like justice for all) for bad goals. For more info on BLM, Marxism, and CRT, visit https://www.heritage.org/civil-rights/report/critical-race-theory-the-new-intolerance-and-its-grip-america.

Key Takeaways of CRT:

- 1. Critical Race Theory makes race the prism through which its proponents analyze all aspects of American life.
- 2. CRT underpins <u>identity politics</u>, which reimagines the U.S. as a nation riven by groups, each with specific claims on victimization.
- 3. CRT's intolerance can be found in schools, the workplace, and the entertainment sector, "normalizing" belief in systemic racism for the average American.

For more on identity politics, see page 33 of the President's Advisory **1776 Commission Final Report**: https://trumpwhitehouse.archives.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/The-Presidents-Advisory-1776-Commission-Final-Report.pdf

CRT seeks to destroy institutions that protect people of all racial backgrounds, such as:

- the family (consisting of a father and mother married to one another);
- honest work and earned income (which is also called "capitalism");
- merit-based or achievement-based systems (particularly educational achievement such as good verbal and math skills).

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The only thing that BLM and CRT has to offer is destruction and revenge. BLM and CRT seek to destroy what unites people of all races, colors, religions and creeds. Don't be fooled by BLM and CRT – we are all Americans given unalienable rights by God.

From https://lcaction.org/black-lives-matter: What role does Marxism play in BLM?

The Movement for Black Lives, which includes Black Lives Matter, describes itself as "anticapitalist" and says they "will never achieve liberation under the current global racialized capitalist system." (13) They <u>call</u> for collective ownership and redistribution of wealth. (14) In keeping with Marxism, M4BL's policy brief titled "End Privatization of Resources," calls for "an end to the exploitative privatization of natural resources" and that that they seek "democratic control over how resources are preserved, used, and distributed." (15) Just as Marxism promotes tyranny of the majority, so too does BLM with their calls to eliminate the <u>Electoral College</u>. Among many other Marxist ideas, they seek to end the privatization of education and want free education and childcare. (16)

- Patrisse Kahn-Cullors <u>describes</u> herself and fellow co-founder Alicia Garza as trained Marxists. (17)
- According to her memoir, when Cullors was in her early twenties, she was introduced to the Labor Community Strategy Center in Los Angeles, CA. There she learned community organizing and studied Mao, Marx, and Lenin.⁽¹⁸⁾
 - While at the Labor Community Strategy Center, Cullors' mentor was Eric Mann. Mann was a member of the <u>Weather Underground</u>, a domestic terror organization. Even after serving <u>time in prison</u> for his involvement with the Weather Underground, Mann has spent his life as a "revolutionary organizer," including "Marxist Leninist party building."
- In 2015, fellow co-founder Opal Tometi took part in an event in New York to honor Nicolás Maduro, the communist President of Venezuela. It has been said that Maduro's government has committed some of the worst human rights violations in the history of Venezuela. (19)
- BLM has the support of the Communism Party USA. (21)

Remember, #BLM often says one thing, but actually means another.

You are not a "racist" for opposing the bad ideas behind the #BLM movement, and refusing to kneel, refusing to raise your fist, or otherwise refusing to support #BLM. "Silence" is your right as an American – it is not "violence." "Speech" is also your right as an American. The First Amendment protects everyone's right to speak or not speak about what they believe. The peaceful discussion of ideas is what makes America a great nation.

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