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Why Black People Are Behind

February is Black History month in the US. The month is celebrated in the US partly in repentance for the atrocities of slavery and segregation and partly in celebration of, and appreciation for, the contributions of black people to the US.

Many people of all races and color, including black people, have wondered silently, and at times loudly, about the black condition. That is, that **almost everywhere you look, Africans and their descendants are on the bottom of the wrung, almost whatever measuring stick you use.** Even in fields such as athletics where Africans and their descendants excel, you will find that they often do not run the athletic organizations.

Ephesians 6:12 says: “For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against **spiritual wickedness in high places...**” This scripture is true for individuals, but also for groups of people. This scripture is particularly relevant in explaining the cause of the black situation.

If you look outside of the Bible for answers- yes, the Bible has answers for every human condition- the main answer you will get is that the black situation is due to **racism.** Since racism would not apply if you examine the black condition on the African continent, you will be told that it is due to **colonialism and tribalism.**

Other theories seek to explain the black condition along the lines of “necessity is the mother of invention.” That is, Europeans were forced to be inventive because of their harsh **climatic conditions.** Well, how come sub-Saharan Africans did not invent air conditioning?

These answers, though relevant, are superficial. They are symptoms of the problem, not the real causes. That is exactly the way the devil (hint) would like to keep things. That way the situation is hopeless.

Africans, as a race of people, and their descendants are not inferior to any other group of people even though it looks like it. How can we be sure of that? Because the Bible says so in several places!

Acts 17:26 says God “hath made of **one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth...**”

Colossians 3:11 says, “...there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.”

The reason for the Black condition is because the devil has particularly targeted Africans and their descendants. It is either that or Africans and their descendants are inferior to other people, which is precisely the lie the devil has used racists to tell so that he can stay undetected behind the scenes.

The devil hates all humans whatever the color of their skin, true, but he particularly disdains Africans because of the enormity of the call of God on Africans as a group of people. **It began with a man called Nimrod, a black man, son of Cush, son of Ham, son of Noah. Nimrod was the first person to be anointed by the Spirit of God, after Noah’s flood. Genesis 10:6-9.**

Nimrod was called to be God’s torch bearer after Noah but the devil distracted Noah’s great grandson into building his own kingdom (Genesis 10:10-12) and the mantle, passed from the house of Ham to the house

of Shem and rested on Abraham. Then unto Isaac, to Jacob and eventually to Jesus, son of David, son of Judah, son of Jacob, son of Isaac, seed of **Abraham!** Genesis 11:26-12:1.

“Are you suggesting that Jesus could have been born black had Nimrod not been distracted etcetera?” Well, do you see any Bible reason why not? Of course, there is no Bible reason why not! **And that should have made no difference whatsoever, just like it makes no difference now!**

God has never been averse to Africans or black people. If anything He seems to have carved out a special place for them! The idea that Christianity is a white man's religion is no less demonic in origin than the idea that God cursed black people! Both lies have been

engineered by the devil to carry out his diabolical designs against Africans and their descendants.

For example, of all the places that God could have chosen to protect baby Jesus from Herod, He chose Egypt in Africa! The nation of Israel was given birth to in Goshen, Egypt, Africa! **Two of the three individuals who separated the Apostle Paul into ministry were black people!** Acts 13:1-3. A black man helped Jesus carry his cross! Mark 15:21.

The devil, however, has targeted Africans and their descendants for total destruction, or at least ignominy! **Slavery** was not new to the human experience but the devil created the transatlantic slave trade as a particularly vicious form of slavery, **racist slavery!** He did so in order to consign black people to ignominy. So far it has worked too well, unfortunately.

The devil also saw to it that sub-Saharan Africa received the gospel last. The gospel is the power of God (Romans 1:16) which includes **the power to invent and create technologically.** Through this and the diabolical slave trade that lasted centuries, colonialism and present-day racism and prejudice, the devil has succeeded in consigning the black race permanently, it appears, on the bottom rung of the ladder of things.

Too many African American leaders (**who have a calling to lift up all of Africa**) have looked to politics almost exclusively for salvation, and ignored or de-emphasized the example set by their ancestors, the slaves who, somehow, got the revelation that **true deliverance can come only from the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob**, even though their slave masters also claimed to serve the same God!

The slaves had enough spiritual discernment to know to separate the slave masters from the God, the good God, some of them claimed to worship! Therein still lies the path to deliverance for Black people as a whole...a return to the faith of the slaves.

Vestiges of the faith of the slaves do remain, for example, Black people are some of the most churched people on the planet! However, **too many sermons entertain instead of equipping congregants with the power of the gospel. Black people must stop backing ungodly causes and choose morality over economics—that is the best way to excel economically.**

All Black people must ascend the same mountain Dr. King did and see what he saw. Reverend King was an Apostle and a Prophet of God, to all Black people. In the words of the powerful Negro spiritual, Black people have truly come this far **by faith, leaning on the Lord,**

trusting in His Holy Word. He has never failed us but we have left Him!

If the devil could, he would wipe out all black people on the planet like he tried to wipe out the Hebrew new-born baby-boys in Egypt. Exodus 1:15-16. But the devil has been doing the best he can. **There are more black babies being aborted than any other kind. There are more Black people in jails and prisons in the US, percentage-wise, than any other kind. Poverty afflicts them more and Black adults are 60% more likely to be diagnosed with diabetes and 78 % more likely to die from it and suffer complications such as kidney failure and amputations. Identical statistics apply with regards to high blood pressure.**

There is a reason for all it. And it goes way beyond racism or genetics. **It is demonic and devilish.** The only, truly effective tide-turning counter against it is the anointing of the Spirit of God! **Black people must turn from religiosity to Jesus, in order to achieve their rightful place, not higher place than any other race, but rightful place among the races of the Earth.**

Jesus stands ready to help with His burden-removing yoke-destroying power! Isaiah 10:27. **Africa is the only continent Jesus ever visited. Africa protected Jesus, the toddler from the murdering legions of king Herod. Jesus still remembers the taste of the waters of the great African river, the river Nile. An African helped Jesus carry the cross.** Africa's children are dear to Jesus's heart!

We are in a spiritual war. The devil aims to keep the focus on strife between black and white, tribe versus tribe because where strife is there is confusion and he can do every evil work! James 3:16.

The devil has sought to discredit black people since Nimrod! It is past time to rain on his parade!

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