

TRAYVON MARTIN  
THE ASSASSINATION OF ANOTHER BLACK MALE  
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THE SENSELESS ASSASSINATION OF TRAYVON MARTIN, IN SANFORD, FLORIDA, UNDERSCORES THE UNDERLINING ISSUE(S) OF RACE IN AMERICA. OF WHAT IT TRULY MEANS TO BE BORN "BLACK" IN [A] "WHITE MAN'S WORLD". MOST PEOPLE THINK, USUALLY THOSE OF EUROPEAN DESCEND IN THIS COUNTRY AND WORLD, THAT AMERICA AND THE WORLD IS PERFECT AS IS.

THEY SAY HOW CAN THERE STILL BE AN ISSUE OF RACE IN AMERICA, WITH AN AFRICAN AMERICAN (BLACK MAN) IN THE WHITE HOUSE? **SIMPLE...** AS LONG AS YOU SEE PRSIDENT BARACK OBAMA, AS A BLACK MAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE, THEN THE ISSUE OF RACE IS VITAL TO THE POWERS THAT BE IN THIS COUNTRY.

AS LONG AS AFRICAN AMERICAN BABIES CAN BE SLAIN ON THE STREETS OF AMERICA THE ISSUE OF RACE IS STILL VITAL, TO THE FOUNDATION OF WHAT AMERICA TRULY IS.

**WHAT IS AMERICA?..WHO ARE AMERICANS?..I MEAN TRULY?** I WATCH CSPAN, WORLD NEWS AND ALL THE SUNDAY MORNING TALK SHOWS RELIGIOUSLY. AND IN THE NEWS LATELY ALL YOU HEAR ABOUT IS THE DEBATE OVER HEALTHCARE(I WILL BLOG ABOUT THAT IN ANOTHER BLOG SPOT), AND ALL THE TALK ABOUT THE FOUNDING FATHERS. WHAT THE CONSTITUTION WAS MEANT TO BE, MY POINT ON THIS IS, WHEN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES WAS DRAFTED IT REPRESENTS AFRICANS AS 3/5 OF A PERSON. NO MORE THAN PROPERTY AND IN MOST CASES LESS THAN THE WORTH OF A ANIMAL.

WITH THE 13TH, 14TH AND 15TH AMENDMENTS THAT BASICALLY (SUPPOSEDLY) ENDED SLAVERY IN AMERICA, B~~UT~~ ANYONE WITH COMMON SENSE KNOW (KNEW) THAT TO BE TRUE ONLY ON PAPER. WITH THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OBAMA, WE ARE STILL CONSIDERED A MINORITY, AND WITH THE BRUTAL ASSASSINATION OF TRAYVON MARTIN, WE ARE STILL VIEWED AS 3/5 OF A PERSON. WHEN AFRICAN AMERICAN BABIES, MEN, WOMEN-HELL LETS JUST SAY ALL PEOPLE OF COLOR...BLACK, BROWN, YELLOW AND RED CAN BE

SYSTEMATICALLY SLAUGHTERED BY DECREE OF LAW, THEN PLEASE TELL ME WERE THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES HELPS (BENEFITS) PEOPLE OF COLOR, IN THIS COUNTRY?

THE ISSUE OF RACE IS SO ENGRAINED IN THE PSYCHE OF MOST AMERICANS IT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY. I WOULD SAY 35 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER...I RESPECT AND COMMEND THOSE OF A YOUNGER AGE, BECAUSE FOR THE MOST PART THEY DON'Y SEE RACE. THEY SEE LIFE AND THEY WANT TO LIVE LIFE, AND THEY EMBRACE ALL THAT AMERICA HAS TO OFFER, REGARDLESS OF WHOM THE ARCHITECT IS. IT DOES NOT MATTER TO THEM, THIS THING WE CALL RACE AND THESE LITTLE ISSUES OF RACIAL ISSUES. TO THEM WHO CARES? UNLESS THEY ARE TAUGHT DIFFERENTLY. THE YOUTH OF THIS ERA IS SO MUCH BETTER THAN, WISER THAN, SMARTER THAN THE BS WE TRY AND LEAVE THEM, PUT ON THEM AND SOMETIMES HOPE THAT THEY EMBRACE.

SO WHAT IS AMERICA? IS IT THE TRUE MELTING POT THAT WE HEAR SO MUCH ABOUT? IS IT A COUNTRY WHERE IF YOU WORK HARD YOU CAN MAKE A LIFE FOR YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES? IS IT A COUNTRY WHERE ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE? IS IT THE GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, AS ADVERTISED?

OR IS IT AS THEY SAY..."[I]F THE ROOT IS BAD THE TREE IS BAD?" WAS THE FOUNDATION OF THE AMERICAN DREAM A SCAM FROM THE BEGIN? WERE THE FOUNDING FATHERS' OF THIS GREA NATION THE BIGGEST SCAMMERS AND SCHEMERS OF ALL? WAS THE ROOT OF THIS GREAT TREE BAD FROM CONCEPTION?

WHO ARE AMERICANS? IS AMERICA ONLY FOR WHITE AMERICANS? OR ALL? WHY IF, I AM A AMERICAN DOES AFRICAN/BLACK COME FIRST? WHY DO WE DEFINE EACH OTHER BY THEIR ETHNICITY/RACE FIRST? SHOULDN'T I BE ABLE TO SAY I AM A AMERICAN, NOT I AM A BLACK AMERICAN? OR ANY OTHER PERSON OF COLOR BORN IN AMERICA? HELL FOR THAT MATTER, SHOULDN'T A WHITE AMERICAN JUST SAY I AM A AMERICAN? WHY MUST WE BE SO SPECIFIC ABOUT RACE/ETHNICITY IN THIS COUNTRY?

SO WILL SOMEONE PLEASE TELL ME WHAT IS AMERICA AND WHO ARE THE TRUE AMERICANS? BECAUSE THE FOUNDING FATHER OF THIS COUNTRY DID NOT MEAN AFRICANS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROSPERITY OF THE COUNTRY.

HOW IS IT OKAY TO KILL A YOUNG BOY COMING FROM THE STORE, MINDING HIS OWN BUSINESS AND TO BE SENSELESSLY GUNNED DOWN, MURDERED, KILLED AND ASSASSINATED AND NOT ALL OF AMERICA IS PO'D ABOUT IT?



EVERY AMERICAN IN THIS COUNTRY SHOULD BE PO'D, BECAUSE PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD ARE WATCHING, AND WATCHING THE HYPOCRISY OF AMERICA. THE CRIERS, THE ACCUSERS, THE HYPERS, AND MOST VOCAL OF ALL UNITED NATIONS MEMBERS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS FOR OTHER COUNTRIES, YET, WHEN IT HAPPENS RIGHT HERE... IT IS CALLED "STAND YOUR GROUND!" REALLY..."STAND YOUR GROUND?"

STAND YOUR GROUND IS THE BIGGEST SCHEME OF ALL! IF YOU SEE A BLACK MAN, BROWN MAN, YELLOW MAN OR RED MAN AND THEY LOOK IN ANYWAY SUSPECT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT UNDER THIS LAW TO KILL THEM...ASSASSINATED THEM. IF I AM WALKING DOWN THE STREET 12AM, IT'S DARK, THE STREETS ARE DESERTED AND I AM MINDING MY OWN BUSINESS AND A WHITE WOMAN IS WALKING TOWARDS ME AND SHE FEELS LIKE SHE'S IN DANGER, THIS LAW GIVES HER THE RIGHT TO PULL OUT A GUN AND KILL ME, MURDER ME, ASSASSINATE ME. AND UNDER THIS LAW SHE IS JUSTIFIED.

WHEN DOES A AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE BECOME JUST AS VALUABLE AS A WHITE LIFE? GEORGE ZIMMERMAN ASSASSINATED LITTLE TRAYVON MARTIN, IN COLD BLOOD, WHERE IS JUST FOR HIS FAMILY? AND HIS FAMILY IS BETTER THAN ME, BECAUSE I WOULD WANT A LIFE FOR A LIFE! HOW DOES HE GET TO ENJOY HIS FAMILY AND KIDS, YET, TRAYVON MARTIN'S FAMILY HAS TO FORFEIT THEIRS.

I AM BY NO MEANS PERFECT. I SIT HERE IN PRISON BECAUSE MY ACTIONS COST 3 HUMAN BEING THEIR LIVES. NO, I DID NOT PULL THE TIGGER, BUT I PARTICIPATED IN THE CRIME. I DID NOTHING TO STOP THE CRIME, SO I AM JUST AS GUILTY AS MY CODEFENDANT THAT DID PULL THE TRIGGER. THERE IS NOT A NIGHT THESE PAST 17 YEARS OF MY INCARCERATION THAT I HAVE NOT THOUGHT ABOUT THOSE HUMAN BEINGS. NIGHT A DAY GO BY THAT I DON'T EXPECT TO SOMEDAY HAVE TO ANSWER FROM MY CRIMES, FROM ONE OF THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS. HOW WOULD THEY BE WRONG TO WANT A LIFE FOR A LIFE. WHEN YOU DESTROY A FAMILY YOU BREAK HEARTS, MINDS, SOULS AND SPIRITS.

GEORGE ZIMMERMAN DESERVE TO LIVE, I HAVE NO CLUE, THAT IS UP TO PEOPLE OTHER THAN ME. I WILL SAY THIS, HE DOES NOT DESERVE TO LIVE AS A FREE MAN. INSTEAD OF THIS MONSTER SAYING, I MESSED UP AND I JUMP THE GUN AND KILLED THIS BOY-THIS MANCHILD, AND I ASK THAT HIS FAMILY WILL FORGIVE ME...NO HIS FRIENDS AND THE POLICE TRY TO JUSTIFY HIS ACTIONS. NOW THEY ARE TRYING TO TARNISH TRAYVON'S NAME, HOW DISPICABLE IS THAT? HOW INHUMANE IS THAT? TO SO MANY TRAYVON, WAS LITTLE MORE THAN PROPERTY, 3/5 OF A MAN. AND SENSE HE WAS A MANCHILD ~~HE~~ WAS HE EVEN CONSIDERED 3/5 OF A MAN? HOW AMERICAN IS IT WHEN A GROWN MAN CAN KILL A MANCHILD ON THE STREETS OF THE SO CALLED GREATEST NATION

ON THE PLANET, IN 2012, WITH AN AFRICAN AMERICAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE? YET, AMERICA CRIES FOUL ABOUT NORTH KOREA, SYRIA, IRAN AND CHINA HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, WHEN THEY ARE JUST AS FOUL. HOW HYPOCRITICAL IS THAT?

AND I MUST SAY THIS MORE AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES HAVE DIED BY THE HANDS OF OTHER AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES THEN ALL THE AMERICANS KILLED IN VIETNAM. WE AS BLACK, BROWN, RED AND YELLOW PEOPLE ARE OUR BIGGEST THREAT(S). WE MUST LOVE OURSELVES AND OUR FELLOW MAN JUST AS MUCH AS WE LOVE OURSELVES. AS AFRICAN AMERICAN MEN WE MUST BE PROTECTORS, FATHERS, SONS, HUSBANDS, LEADERS, GUIDES AND PROVIDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE MUST BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR FAMILIES, OUR WOMEN MUST BE ABLE TO DEPEND ON US, TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE THEIR BACK. THAT WE LOVE THEM, NEED THEM AND WANT THEM. THAT WE WILL STAND UP AND BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND THAT THEY WILL HAVE A STRONG BROTHA TO LOOK UP TO.

THERE MUST BE NO MORE TRAYVON'S, NO MORE AFRICAN AMERICAN YOUTH DYING ON THE STREETS LIKE DOGS, IN PRISONS, IN DRUG HOUSES. WE MUST STOP BEING THE BIGGEST MASS MURDERERS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN MEN, SO THAT PEOPLE LIKE GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, SO THAT LAW MAKERS LIKE THE FLORIDA POLITICIANS WHO DRAFTED THAT LAW, SO THAT THE WORLD WILL KNOW THAT IT IS NOT OKAY TO KILL ME...US. SO THAT THEY WILL KNOW THAT OUR LIVES HAVE VALUE TOO. THAT KNOW MATTER WHAT THE CREATORS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION THOUGHT OF US, WE ARE VALUABLE. THAT WE ARE SOMEBODY, THAT NO MATTER WHAT THE REST OF THE WORLD THINK OF US, THAT DOESN'T MATTER, WHAT DO I THINK OF MYSELF? WHAT AM I WORTH TO THOSE THAT MATTER TO ME THE MOST, MY FAMILY, FRIENDS, RACE AND COMMUNITY.

NO MORE KILLING OF OUR CHILDREN, BY PEOPLE OF COLOR OR NONE PEOPLE OF COLOR! NO MORE! WE MUST PROTECT OURSELVES AGAINST LAWS AND LAWMAKERS WHOM WOULD MAKE LAWS LIKE THIS THAT JUSTIFY THE KILLING OF OUR BABIES. LITTLE TRAYVON, IS GONE, AND GOD HAS PREPARED A PLACE FOR HIM AT HIS SIDE. HIS FIGHT IS OVER BUT FOR THOSE OF US THAT ARE LIFT TO FIGHT, FIGHT WE MUST.

BLACK MEN STAND UP AND TAKE YOUR PLACE ON THE FRONT LINES. WE MUST BE LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY, OR WE WON'T HAVE A COMMUNITY. THE WORLD IS WATCHING AND IF WE EVER WANT RESPECT, THEN WHEN DOES IT START? WHEN WE DEMAND IT. NOTHING IS EVER GIVEN WITH OUT A STRUGGLE...NEVER GIVE UP AND NEVER SURRENDER!!!!



I WILL SAY THIS IN CLOSING, WHETHER YOU ARE BLACK, BROWN, RED OR YELLOW, YOU SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DRESS HOW YOU WANT WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING TARGETED AND ASSASSINATED ON THE STREETS OF AMERICA.

YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO WALK ANYWHERE YOU WISH AND MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING SHOT ON THE STREETS OF AMERICA.

MOTHERS AND FATHERS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO HAVE THE "TALK" WITH THEIR YOUNG MEN.

MOTHERS AND FATHERS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO BE SCARED TO HEAR THE PHONE RING, PRAYING THAT THE POLICE AREN'T ON THE OTHER LINE SAYING THAT GEORGE ZIMMERMAN GOT YOUR BABY TOO.

PEOPLE OF COLOR SHOULD HAVE THE SAME PERTECTION UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AS WHITE AMERICA DOES.

PEOPLE OF COLOR HAVE DIED FOR THIS COUNTRY ON DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN BATTLEFIELDS FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS. PEOPLE OF COLORED HAVE KILLED IN WARS PEOPLE LIKE THEM, PEOPLE THAT THEY COULD NOT EVEN SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE, PEOPLE THAT THEY THEMSELVES HAD NO PROBLEM WITH. PEOPLE OF COLOR HAVE KILLED IN THE NAME OF THE U.S., FIGHTING FOR A COUNTRY THAT STILL SEES THEM AS LESS THAN HUMAN.

IS THIS AN AMERICA BASHING? ABSOLUTELY NOT, IT IS AN AMERICAN SHAMING. AND AMERICA SHOULD BE ASHAMED, ASHAMED THAT LAWS ARE MADE THAT JUSTIFY THE KILLING OF TRAYVON MARTIN, AND OTHER AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES. THAT LAWS ARE MADE WHERE AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES HAVE TO BE SCARED TO WALK THE STREETS OF THIS COUNTRY, FOR FEAR OF BEING ASSASSINATED.

WE ARE JUST AS AMERICAN AS ANYBODY ELSE IN THIS COUNTRY. WE SHOULD HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS IN THIS COUNTRY, SO PLEASE STOP KILLING US, ASSASSINATING US AND MURDERING US... WE ARE AMERICANS TOO! AND WE LOVE THIS COUNTRY JUST AS MUCH AS ANYBODY ELSE.

I LEAVE YOU IN PEACE. UNTIL NEXT TIME.