

# THE DOG WHO DOES NOT BARK: A BRIEF SYNOPSIS ON MODERN HUMAN SACRIFICE

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"Beware of the man who does not speak and the dog who does not bark."  
-Native American Proverb (Cheyenne)

"Our worst enemies are not the ignorant and the simple, however cruel;  
our worst enemies are the intelligent and corrupt."  
-Graham Greene, The Human Factor

I am a young man who has spent nearly a third of my life incarcerated, yet I choose not to consider myself a broken man. I continue to strive towards progression - individually and collectively - mentally, physically, and spiritually. Years of my life have been taken from me for making poor decisions, yet the punishments handed out far exceeded the severity of my crimes. I will never get those years of my life back, but it is my goal to shine a light on the corrupt legal system that casts an all too subtle shadow over our society.

The roots of racism may be impossible to know, but ever since Bacon's Rebellion in 1675 (and the wave that followed), when African American and Caucasian people came together to fight the land controlling elites, we have been manipulated into living in the shadow of a pernicious, politically-reinforced lie: that some people (based on degrees of skin pigmentation) are more fully human than others. To prevent further alliances between the races, the elites began to take racism to the next level by giving false hope to working class and indentured Caucasians with small land grants and by accelerating the importation of non-English speaking people from West Africa, making slavery a top priority.

Today, slavery has taken on a new face. Approximately 80% of those in prison for drug offenses are African American, while drug use is roughly the same for all races, and slightly higher for Caucasians. The mass hysteria generated in Ronald Regan's America paved a super-smooth highway for a system of mass incarceration and life-crushing fines that would devastate generations of people. According to the United Nation's Human Rights Committee, "U.S. disenfranchisement policies are discriminatory and in direct violation of international law." In addition to this, former CIA Director John Deutch was confronted publicly by a former Los Angeles narcotics officer, who alleged that the U.S. government was aware of cocaine shipments into the United States during the 1980s and did nothing to stop it. The fear of racial minorities has made it possible for:

1. Excessive mandatory minimum sentences for insignificant crimes.
2. Being labeled as felons, it takes away otherwise good peoples' ability to work in most professions, while simultaneously leaving them drowning in fines and irrelevant debts, late fees, interest, processing, and wage garnishments even as high as 100%.
3. Police work that freely ignores the fourth amendment of unreasonable searches ("stop and frisk"). The almost sanctioned brutality and

even murder of the innocent. Military-style SWAT raids that are all too often botched and/or ineffectual, with no compensation for damages. Blatantly deceptive law enforcement techniques that take advantage of people who are ignorant of the law.

4. The dismemberment of the fourteenth amendment (equal protection regardless of race). The U.S. Supreme Court decided racial bias would be tolerated as long as it is hidden (*McLesky v Kemp*, 1987) and evidence of racial bias must be proven before access to that evidence is granted (*Armstrong*, 1994), to say nothing of discriminatory jury selections (*Purkett v Elm*, 1995).
5. New human rights laws are frequently enacted, yet not adhered to, such as the Illinois Bail Reform Act of 2017. Public Act 100-1 "Presumption of Non-Monetary Bail" has been in effect for almost a year to date, yet almost never used. 725 ILCS 5/110-5 b. states that "the amount of bail shall be: (2) not oppressive (3) considerate of the financial ability of the accused" - a plethora of evidence could be collected to the contrary.

One might argue that drug related offenses are especially grave, as they pollute the community. Is the sale of drugs worse than murder? According to the Clinton administration, it is. Under a law passed by President Bill Clinton, municipal townships are not allowed to offer services to individuals convicted of drug sales, but ex-murderers are still eligible. According to the Public Safety section of pantagraph.com, a Bloomington man was sentenced to probation for molesting four underage girls, while I was sentenced to a lengthy seven year stay in the Illinois Department of Corrections for selling half gram bags of a controlled substance, along with two years of parole. After a DUI and subsequent arrest for the possession of a small amount of drugs for personal use, I was offered fifteen years by the State's Attorney to close the case. The following is a list of offenses that are considered less heinous than drug sales, in the eyes of the State of Illinois:

1. Concealing a homicidal death
2. Child abduction
3. Indecent solicitation of a child
4. Aggravated assault with a weapon or motor vehicle
5. Aggravated stalking
6. Reckless discharge of a firearm
7. Involuntary servitude
8. Unlawful use of a weapon involving a sawed-off shotgun or silencer
9. Compelling a confession or information by infliction of bodily harm

Are these crimes truly less severe than drug related crimes? Are we a society that is truly free? According to Black's Law Dictionary, the definition of a Public Service Homicide is, "The killing of a criminal by another."

I went from being a high school student taking college classes at a state university, to a man who was not allowed to see his mother one last time, less than an hour away from where he was imprisoned. The Department of Corrections does not correct, it only conditions and brands an entire underclass of people as criminals and felons, effectively destroying their future. I am not an African American, yet I am the

victim of a legal system designed to continue the enslavement of their race. Actions must be taken. Petitions must be filled, and lawsuits filed. Politicians must be selected, elected, and called to action. I am but one man up against fifty states and the federal government of the most powerful country in the world, and I cannot do it alone.

"Are we willing to cast ourselves as a society that creates crimogenic conditions for some of its members, and the acts out rituals of punishment against them as if engaged in some awful form of human sacrifice?"  
-Glenn Loury

"I'm a product of my environment, so I sold a product of my environment."  
-Young Jeezy

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