

Influence of Slavery

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The influence of slavery

Is not one of bravery

But rather one of sorrow and despair

It is rooted in our country's history

And the reason for superiority and elitism will always be a mystery.

Our country was built on stories of slavery, oppression, elitism, and maltreatment of individuals

Without a regard to the damage of moral principals

These concepts are the backbone of our foundation

What is this nation?

Rather than creating equality and justice, we cultivate a divided system

And promote only capitalism

But why have such ideas not disappeared in the 21st century?

Why do we see police brutality and discriminatory acts time and time again in the news?

The answer, in theory is simple, institutional, and systemic racism has not been abolished.

The deteriorating effects of slavery are often left unacknowledged.

Dating back to the enslavement of the Slavs by the Muslims,

The feeling of superiority has shined through and built our societies

This is based on the ideas of wealth, identity, intelligence, social and cultural status

This has seeped into our justice system

And left those with colored skin as a traditional victim

The same authorities founded on the destruction of humanity

Are expected to practice Christianity

And provide all with an equal chance at life

When really, in fact, they take the innocent lives of individuals such as

George Floyd and Breonna Taylor

How can a plea for air be a call to fight?

A breathe of air is a God given human right.

The justice system does not know what it means to be a neighbor, but rather is built on division

Division that is experienced in so many visions

Profiling, unwarranted searches, unproportionable levels of incarceration, a war on drugs,

The list can go on

And for some it becomes a daily ton

The ancestral wounds that take generations to heal if not become eternal

It makes women believe that perhaps they would rather opt to be infertile

To prevent the generational pain and trauma

That sees no end in sight, but rather fights time and time again for the equal treatment of all

Instead of a fight for justice, the criminal justice system has become a center for funding

For fraud and for selfish desire

The same system allowing for the ownership of individuals

Continuous to allow for the profiting and privatization of prisons

They aim at making profit of people and make individuals a number

The demand for inmates and rougher sentences on the grounds of business growth

The lobbying for political popularity and gain

There is not justice in the system

Only fight for a dollar

Our country continues to rely on the servitude of people of color.

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