## The Day I Almost Lost My Country

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Wy story begins with being asleep on the couch. I was awaken by my wife voice saying "Have you seen what is going on at the Capitol?" No, I replied, aggravated to be woken up. I quickly changed the television channel to CNN. If anything is going on nation wide, CNN is known to be the one of the best resources on breaking news in the U.S. What I saw made my jaw drop. For quite awhile, I did not say a word as I looked on in shock of the violence that was occurring at the Capitol Building.

As I looked on and listened to the journalists, fear arose within me. Thoughts of fleeing the country crept into my mind. Thoughts of where to go begin to surface. Then I said to myself, this is what an alien feels when it first hits you to leave the country where you were born.

As I listen to the news, the word Proud Boys and white supremacists were mentioned as the main attackers. You could hear the attackers shouting the names of Nancy Pelosi and Mike Pence causing an uproar in the crowd. At that point, I began to pray, because I knew if one lawmaker was hurt or killed, this country would never be the same.

For several days I could not sleep. I did not turn the television off for several days afterwards being in fear of another incident that may arise. I knew I was feeling what many minorities were feeling and struggling with the decision of what to do. I have several rifles and hand guns to deal with intruders, however if the capitol is not safe, what is? With little options during my struggles, I came to the decision for a plan and more fire power. I purchased two more rifles and worked up a plan of defense for my home and my family.

When I went to the gun range to make my purpose, it was after long thoughts with a conclusion of this is the best I could do with the plan I had laid out. Little to my surprise was the number of minorities whom were there as well. Many never had a gun, with many others being women who were looking for something to stop intruders. It was not hard to see many had the same look on their faces I still had to that point.

Looking back I know I may be paranoid as I had several weapons before Jan 6, however, the threat is still there and it seemed that nothing has been learned, improved when it comes to people of color. I have concluded that it will always be there. At lease during my life time.

I did not want to go this route. The cost was astronomical with the way the arms market is currently. But like many others, I decided the priorities and to have a chance to meet those goals, certain things had to be done towards those goals.

Even after the purchase, I find myself not in fear, but more cautious of my surroundings. The checking and double checking items and areas is quickly becoming the norm. I guess I always knew something like this would happen. That is one reason why I have security cams around the home.

What gets me is there is no one asking the real deep dark questions in relation to this issue. Perhaps like the game show Jeopardy, the 11 hour with Brian Williams may provide the answers to where the questions can be better understood.

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Please listen to the whole video.



## Sen Tunes:

Every time there is an issue, They (whites) are going to bring up people of color. There is a fear of a lack of power that can be trace back to reconstructions and all through that time the belief is there are real American (white) and there are others that are not American. They do not believe that all men are created equal.

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There are many who feel this way don't care what people of color have done and can do for this country.

There are people of color who have created wonderful things for this country. There are people of color whom have done great things for this country serving in all its wars and produced miraculous results where many historians commented that their actions was key in the winning of the war. Yet with all of these accomplishment and proof of loyalty towards the country, it will never be accepted by many whites because they still have a problem with skin color. The color their God blessed many peoples of a natural event as the sun darken them due to where their ancestors were on this earth.

At this point there is nothing left but to pity them. This thought process will in time put them further behind as the march towards higher learning and progress continues. With all my conclusions with little faith of change, I can still hope. I am a believer in God, and I believe one of the most powerful tool in God's procession is the tool of time. As in time evolution change living things from one version to another. In time, this blinding hatred will be realized of the enormous amount of energy it is using and slowly dissolve, people will become calmer, their high blood pressures will start dropping, they will see there was nothing to worry about after all and then and only then will the real work begin as it is realized how far behind we all are.

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