Who dropped the bomb on whom?

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– Glenn Beck

In February 2011, TV host Glenn Beck aired a provocative segment titled, "Hiroshima vs. Detroit: Which city really embraced the American dream?" I was born and educated in Detroit. Nobody enjoys viewing a video equating a city obliterated by an atomic bomb almost 70 years ago as light years beyond Detroit today, yet the truth is the truth.

Beck started his video discussing the so-called, American dream, which he contends has become a nightmare because the original American dream over the past 70 years, since FDR's massive expansion of Leviathan government, has fallen victim to another progressive hijacking.

"The American dream that you dream about is the same opportunity for all. Give me a shot. Martin Luther King, Jr. talked about it. Give me a chance. Progressives have made it about the same outcome for all," Beck said.

That's contrary to "community organizer" Rev. Al Sharpton's perverted logic that Martin Luther King's dream was the same stuff in everybody's house – houses for all, guaranteed jobs for all, guaranteed food and income for all. Marxism, redistribution of wealth, a socialist utopia!

Beck next pivoted to a comparative analysis of two notable cities: Hiroshima and Detroit. You recall that at the end of World War II, President Harry Truman dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan on Aug. 6, 1945, saving millions of allied lives. The atomic bomb completely

destroyed 70 percent of the buildings in Hiroshima and by the end of the year, up to 140,000 had died. Virtually half of the city's population, in total, died. Some 200,000 or more would eventually die from the effects, Beck detailed.

After showing several pictures of the utter obliteration of Hiroshima, Beck shows the miraculous pictures of Hiroshima today. It's not the wreckage. What happened? Beck asks, "Well, people decided they weren't going to allow their city to be destroyed forever. Yes, the government came in and helped rebuild the city, but what else could they have rebuilt from that destruction?"

> They needed help from the government, but it was the people, embracing the free market system that revitalized Hiroshima … when Hiroshima looked like it did in destruction, this city looked like this. It was thriving. It is Detroit, Mich. But take a look at Detroit today. One city embraced the free-market system and the entrepreneurial spirit. The other embraced progressive policies and corrupt government and unions and companies that weren't allowed to fail. …
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> They begged for a bailout and got one, and the union bosses did their share, too, whereas Hiroshima has nearly quadrupled in size since the attack. Not so much with Detroit. Less than 50 percent of Detroit's peak population of 1.8 million in 1950 still lives in the city. Thirty-six percent of Detroit's residents live in poverty. Detroit's poverty rate is more than double than that of the entire U.S. as a whole. Eighty-one percent of the Detroit's public school students qualify for free and reduced-price lunches in 2009 – 81 percent. As far as education, about 42 percent of Detroit's public school students don't even graduate – half.

Every public policy of the progressive revolution is specifically designed to perpetuate the slave master/plantation paradigm, to exercise absolute control over black America by white Democrat Socialist Party and keeping them – mind, body, spirit – on their hellish plantation called the ghetto or "inner city."

For example, Richard Trumka, president, AFL-CIO, said, "I got into the labor movement, not because I wanted to negotiate wages. I got into the labor movement because I saw it as a vehicle to do a massive social change to include the lots of people. That's why I got into the labor movement."

Massive social change means establishing a European-style socialist state in America, but in part represents Democratic Socialist Party hegemony over black America by keeping them constantly angry, ignorant and fearful if they escape from the Democratic Party plantation that their reputation and career will be destroyed (e.g., Clarence Thomas, Allen West, Herman Cain, Dr. Ben Carson, etc.).

Detroit is what you get from 50 years of one-party, fascist rule.

Responding to Trumka, Beck said:

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