

Jason Whitlock: Black Lives Matter a 'Marxist political organization' that isn't about 'black death' or 'black men'

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Sports journalist and commentator Jason Whitlock slammed the Black Lives Matter movement as a “Marxist political organization” that is not looking out for the best interests of black people.

“There's no way you can do any homework on Black Lives Matter and not see that it's a Marxist political organization. It's not about black death. It's not about black men,” Whitlock told Fox News’s Tucker Carlson on Monday night during a conversation about reports that the National Football League plans to play a “black national anthem” before games in the upcoming season.

“It is a political move. It's a communist political move. ... I've seen many of these guys, they claim they're in Christianity and their religious beliefs — do they understand Black Lives Matter, communism, Marxism, is anti-religious?”

“This is a historic failure of men and leadership. This is cowardice at its highest level. This is the NFL jumping the shark and saying we quit being who we said we are. We're now something else because our money's on the line and we don't stand for the values we said we stood for.”

Whitlock had some choice words for NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell when asked by Carlson about what role he is playing in all of this.

"Probably hiding under his desk," Whitlock said, adding that people within the league's leadership are "cowards. Not standing up for what they believe in. America has made them filthy rich and some of the most powerful people on the planet, and they're unwilling to defend the values that they built their business on and the country that has enriched them."

"I think it's really about a lack of leadership and just a failure of men to stand up and stand on the principles that they say they believe in," he said. "And so, when I look at what the NFL is doing, this goes against every value that the NFL has built itself on, professional sports have built themselves on, a celebration of Americana and the ideals and values that best exemplify America."

Black Lives Matter co-founder Patrisse Cullors said during a recently resurfaced interview that the movement she helped create pushes a Marxist message.

"We are trained Marxists. We are super-versed on, sort of, ideological theories," Cullors said in 2015. "And I think that what we really tried to do is build a movement that could be utilized by many, many black folk."

Whitlock joins other prominent black people who have spoken out against Marxist ideology in the Black Lives Matter movement, including former Princeton University professor Carol Swain and political activist Niger Innis.

The Republican Party has focused in on the Marxist element of the movement as well, releasing an ad arguing that Black Lives Matter "isn't about justice" but rather "about destroying America.."