Middle Passage September 10, 2021

1 | Discussion of the Middle Passage Reading

Manifest destiny: European-American team for subjugation

1.1 | Discussion of Viewpoints

1.1.1 | Afrocentric View

- That there is a core, "pure" African view
- Middle passage did no change to the African culture

1.1.2 | Traditionalist View

- That there was no continuance from African culture after the middle passage
- · Essentially, a new generation was born

1.1.3 | Cultural Syncretism

- · Combination of the two?
- That the middle passage was a change and process of combination

2 | Discussion of the Middle Passage Video

2.1 | Initialization

- Not initially racial slavery; it was simply those who are enslaved are enslaved
- Due to labor shortage indentured servants were no longer viable
 - · Due to shortage, had to turn to Africa
 - · Also allowing

2.2 | Downfall

- Peak to downfall of slavery as an accepting institution
- Created coverage of the American revolution
- From Revolution Brits offer emaciation for Black Solders
- Large controversy: American demand of freedom to England is similar to that of Africans
 - Huge use of vocabulary "enslaved" by the policy
 - "all men were created equal", so what about..
- Constitutional Convention's 3/5 compromise
 - Justification of "All men equal"
 - · Slavery though, still a sign of wealth

Slavery also lead many into debt. British Bankers held debt, so revolution essentially allowed the institution of slavery to continue by absolving the debt of debters.