

A very wise man of God once said, “when purpose if not known, abuse is inevitable”

The constitution of the United States which was founded on the Word of God declared all men were created equal and given certain inalienable rights among them were life liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all men. Some decided that all did not mean all and a “Civil War” broke out.

Those on the northern sided declared around 1835 that policing was to follow the following purpose:

**Police are** a body of officers representing the civil authority of government. **Police are** responsible for maintaining public order and safety, enforcing the law, and preventing, detecting, and investigating criminal activities. These functions are known as policing.

In the Southern states the development of American policing followed a different path. The genesis of the modern police organization in the South was the "Slave Patrol" (Platt 1982). The first formal slave patrol was created in the Carolina colonies in 1704 (Reichel 1992). Slave patrols had three primary functions: (1) to chase down, apprehend, and return to their owners, runaway slaves; (2) to provide a form of organized terror to deter slave revolts; and, (3) to maintain a form of discipline for slave-workers who were subject to summary justice, outside of the law, if they violated any plantation rules. Following the Civil War, these vigilante-style organizations evolved in modern Southern police departments primarily as a means of controlling freed slaves who were now laborers working in an agricultural caste system, and enforcing "Jim Crow" segregation laws, designed to deny freed slaves equal rights and access to the political system.

Though the south lost the war their purpose for policing has remained and infected the entire country. This is our true pandemic. Slavery is over, though some would differ. If we are to have the America that God designed where we are to be known by our love for one another then the slave patrols across this country must cease. We must simply demand and implement the original purpose of God and the victors of the Civil War. Serve and protecting all citizens, regardless of NOTHING! Otherwise the civil war will be fought again.

Perhaps the words of Jefferson Davis in 1868 were right and the south and the spirit of oppression upon our brothers has risen again!

**I would start by saying that the true purpose of policing in this country has already been written; the question is which one will you enforce.**

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