F*** Your Racist History

[STOCK INTRO] At the heart of America is a dirty and shameful reality. Everyone knows it exists, but the devastating impact it has left on generations of people has been glossed over and even ignored—especially by those who still benefit from it.

Our American history is rooted in racism.

More obvious chapters include the decimation of Native American populations, slavery, segregation, and the Jim Crow era. Most Americans have learned about—or at least heard of—these events.

But ask them about the eugenics movement, or when homegrown extremists filled Madison Square Garden for a Nazi rally, or how Henry Ford's hatred of Jews helped inspire Adolf Hitler, and you're likely to get a blank stare.

It's time to explore these overlooked events that don't make it into our history books and correct the record for the people harmed by them, to trace our past to modern tragedies, and learn how folks over the centuries have fought back. We need to confront our racist history, so that we might have a chance to defeat it once and for all.

I'm Christian Picciolini, a former white supremacist who became an anti-racist activist and bringer of hard truths. On each episode of *F*** Your Racist History*, you'll learn about America's conveniently overlooked racist origin stories. Join me as we yank off the hood and expose the lies behind some of America's so-called triumphs and heroes.

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[STOCK OUTRO] That's all for today. Join me next time as we shine a light on another shameful chapter of our country's racist past. We can't beat the problem if we can't see it.

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Thank you for joining. See you next time—and, as always, f*** your racist history!