

Has Government Earned Our Trust

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WACO, Texas:

On April 19, 1993, 80 Americans would die at Waco, Texas. Twelve of these Americans were children, younger than five years of age. In 1929, a Seventh-day Adventist Sabbath School teacher named Victor Houteff wrote a book which called for reformation of the church. His message was not accepted by the church hierarchy and Houteff was banished from the church.

He and his followers established a headquarters outside Waco, Texas in 1935. The point being that this religious community was not some *johnny come lately religious cult*. They were now quite old and established.

They were called "*Branch Davidians*" which had nothing to do with their leader's name being David Koresh. The term "*Davidian*" reflected their belief in the restoration of the "*Davidic Kingdom*." As legitimate as any other religious belief. Like all religions, including Catholic, Baptist, Mormon, Episcopal, this offshoot of the Seventh Day Adventist's had their own belief or take on the Bible that differed from the others in the same way other major religious denominations differ in their beliefs from each another. It is common knowledge, or should be, that religions hold that theirs is the *one true path to God and life everlasting*.

This religious group had been given permission to settle three villages, although they lost two of them due to lack of people coming to inhabit them. But one survived. The Christian folk of this simple community lived in a communal plywood house they had built themselves.

On February 28, 1993, a military style raid was conducted, ostensibly to serve a search warrant. But something went horribly wrong and shooting began almost immediately. One *Branch Davidian member*, Wayne Martin, a graduate of Harvard University Law School, called 911. The transcript of the 911 call shows that at one point, while listening to the background noise, Lt. Lynch says: "That's automatic weapon fire . . ." Automatic machine gun fire can be heard as helicopters pass overhead during this conversation between Lt. Lynch and Wayne Martin: Here is a transcript section of that call:

Martin: They're still attacking.

Lynch: Ah, right.

Martin: There's a chopper with more of 'em.

Lynch: What?

Martin: Another chopper with more people--More guns goin' off. Here they come!"

Lynch: Ah, right. Wayne Cah (unintelligible)

Martin: More firing!

Lynch: [Unintelligible]

Martin: That's not us. That's them!

In the raid, six Branch Davidians and four BATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms) agents were killed. It is noted that each of the four agents killed were former body guards for President Bill Clinton.

The helicopters used were obtained from the Texas National Guard on the pretext of a drug laboratory at Mount Carmel (the name given the Branch Davidian home). However, there was no drug related charges listed on the arrest warrant to be served on that morning of February 28, 1993. Nor was a drug laboratory ever found.

To neutralize opposition to government policy & actions, psychological profiling was implemented in which David Koresh was marketed as everybody's Satan. To the atheist, he was presented as the religious fanatic. To the law-and-order types he was presented as the killer of four law enforcement officers, even though they appeared to have been killed by professional snipers, three with an accurately placed gunshot to the head and the fourth with a shot that severed the aorta artery. To the fundamentalist, demonizing was effectively established by juxtaposing two allegations... 1) that Koresh claimed to be Jesus Christ, and 2) Koresh kept a harem of other men's wives. Koresh was variously presented as a gun nut, a new age adherent, and involved in drug trade. And finally the coup de grace... Koresh was a child molester.

Because the American people were not (or are not) sufficiently aware of the tactics of mind control, the government, with the willing assistance of the main stream misleadia had effectively made David Koresh everybody's Satan.

Of the dead, 24 were under the age of 20 years old. And for what? Because of suspicion there were machine guns on the property, which is legal in Texas after paying a \$200 fee. The truth is that the Sheriff's office performed an investigation and no illegal weapons were found. As it turned out, the majority of weapons had been taken to a gun show early on the morning of the raid. There were almost none left at the Branch Dividan home.

Because we Americans believe the false assertions and outright lies set forth by government officials, which includes the FBI, over eighty of us are dead. One can only surmise the cause and reason for such behavior by unreasonable and dishonorable government officials. Was it intended to intimidate (read terrorize) other Americans who have begun preparing for what they view as treasonous behavior? Maybe. Who knows, because there is no explanation for the unnecessary actions and policies that lead to the murder of these people who were gassed with a "Bradley" tank and kept in the building by rifle fire when they tried to exit (see "Waco, the Rules of Engagement).

While I'm fully aware that such events may occur when overzealous government agents are insufficiently supervised, what is not acceptable is that government does not hold these murderous officials accountable to prevent future occurrences.

There is much more to this saga but space limitations prevent the inclusion here. Those interested may go to: <http://www.public-action.com/SkyWriter/WacoMuseum/>