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This issue, I am going to make 2 simple points, and then amplify on these points.

Barack's Excellent Judgment

Since Barack Obama has very little in his personal portfolio to recommend him, we are asked to depend upon his judgment, as evidenced by his opposition to the Iraq War; and his ability to talk to our enemies, which implies that he knows both how to take the measure of a man and how to make that man do what we want him to do.

Obama has not exhibited good judgment in the past and he is piss-poor when it comes to reading a man's character. Not to worry; I will elaborate on this point.

Dems Want to Control Your Health Care

The Democrats, not the Republicans, want to run and tightly regulate your health care system, something which they have no experience doing. I think we can get a good idea of how good a job they will do as medical bureaucrats by examining how well they run a primary election, which is infinitely less complex, and something which they have a lot of experience dealing with.

If Democrats cannot run a simple primary election, how well do you think they will handle health care? I will expand on this as well.

Do You Know about This?

If you have watch FoxNews or CNN or ABC news or if you listen to talk radio, you are aware of the comments of reverend Jeremy Wright, the man

who has been Barack Obama's pastor spiritual leader for the past 20 years.

On the other hand, at least up until Friday March 14, 2008, most newspapers and NBC and CBS has ignored this story. The same news sources which drilled into your brain over and over that Mitt Romney is a member of the Mormon cult and that Huckabee is just some squirrel-eating, Baptist preacher; they do not want you to know that Barack Obama has been attending a radical Black, separatist church for about 20 years now. The views espoused from the pulpit of this church appeal to only the most radicalized factions of the Far Left.

Reverend Jeremy Wright, Obama's spiritual leader, his pastor-teacher, a man he has spoken of on many occasions, teaches that

- ◆ the US government has manufactured and spread the AIDS virus to kill Black men;
- ◆ the US is closely involved with the distribution of illegal drugs so that we can put more Black men in jail;
- ◆ the United States deserved the 9/11 attacks (Wright ties this to our using atomic weapons to end World War II).
- ◆ the United States is run by rich white men dedicated to keeping the Black man down (this is where he promotes Obama for president from his pulpit and ties Hillary Clinton to the rich white men).

Jesus was a poor Black man and he lived in a country controlled by rich white men. Obama is not a rich, white man (Wright neglects to tell us that Obama is a rich, Black man). Hillary has

never been called a nigger; it is wonderful that we know a poor Black man in a country run by rich white men.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=dcOOSpvc2JI>

Because we bombed Hiroshima, the chickens came home to roost with 9/11. The government lied about Pearl Harbor. We are doing the same thing which Al-qaeda does, but under a different flag. God damn America. We are an arrogant, racist, military country. We teach that Europeans are superior to Africans. There is a connection between Israel and the Palestinians and 9/11.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=617eK2XlaLk>

The US government passes 3-strike laws and passes out drugs to throw Black men into jail. More "God damn America."

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=vaNBzU6iryo>

A short FoxNews story on Jeremiah Wright and his support of Obama for president. 9/11 happened to us and so did slavery. We support state terrorism against the Palestinians and against South Africa; American's chickens are coming home to roost.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=AGXK647hszU>

Obama's "just words" speech interspersed with Jeremiah Wright's teachings.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=Alzgd5vAeSc>

The Trinity Church of Christ promotion video:

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=2bMjyAJ0qIM>

Obama's church has given Louis Farrakhan a lifetime achievement award.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=vaNBzU6iryo>

Who is Barry Barack Obama?

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=h0Th6JmxKq8>

Now, if you haven't seen any of these videos yet, do you like the fact that your news services, newspapers, and television stations have decided that you should not see them?



Why the Hell Should I Care?

You are thinking, "I don't care what church Obama goes to; so I don't care that my new sources have been ignoring this story."

There are 2 reasons you should care:

- 1) This will probably derail Obama's presidential bid entirely; he may not even be offered a VP spot. You may want to find out, *what happened?* Many news services do not want this story to get out there, because they know that their favorite son could lose all his momentum if this story gets out there.
- 2) Obama is running his campaign based on change, hope and *his good judgment*. If Obama CHOSE this pastor and went to this church for 20

years, then what does this say about his judgment? If you buy his story that he did not know about any of this stuff, then Obama, after 20 years, is unable to read and correctly understand his own pastor and the teachings of his own church. This should lead you to ask, just how intelligent and perceptive is Obama, really?

Cherry Picking Jeremiah Wright

From Wikipedia on Jeremiah Wright:

When asked to respond, Obama noted that he disagreed with Wright's comments and stated "Here is what happens when you just cherry-pick statements from a guy who had a 40-year career as a pastor. There are times when people say things that are just wrong. But I think it's important to judge me on what I've said in the past and what I believe."[\[17\]](#)

On March 14, 2008, Obama wrote an article for the [Huffington Post](#) website entitled [On My Faith and My Church](#) in which he said the following:

Let me say at the outset that I vehemently disagree and strongly condemn the statements that have been the subject of this controversy. I categorically denounce any statement that disparages our great country or serves to divide us from our allies. I also believe that words that degrade individuals have no place in our public dialogue, whether it's on the campaign stump or in the pulpit. In sum, I reject outright the statements by Rev. Wright that are at issue.[\[18\]](#)

from Wikipedia on Jeremiah Wright

My comments: One of the charges which liberals have made with regards to Jeremiah Wright's teaching is, that this man has been a pastor for 40 years and there are 15-20,000 hours of teaching which is available, and that conservative news reporters cherry picked a few things here or there

from Wright's long tenure. Alan Combs has said, "As a radio announcer, we talk all of the time, and there are numerous times when we say something that we wish we hadn't." Other commentators say, "We should hear the entire sermon to see what the context is" or "I doubt that Wright said these things when he baptized Obama's children or when he married the Obama's.

These approaches are pandering and nonsense for several reasons:

1) Do you have any clue as to how difficult it would be to go through 15-20,000 hours of teaching in order to find a few snippets of Wright's most radical teachings, if they are not representative of his teaching in general? This would be like finding the proverbial needle in a haystack. Furthermore, if this teaching was far afield of what he normally taught, why are his congregants responding enthusiastically to these teachings? When the camera showed the audience, his congregants were not shocked and appalled; they believe this radical nonsense. So you cannot say this stuff was simply cherry picked. It is quite difficult if not impossible to find a needle in a haystack; and just what army listened to all 15,000 hours in order to find these snippets, if they do not truly represent this man's thinking?

2) Jeremy Wright could hold a press conference tomorrow and a huge number of reporters would show up, and he could repudiate his own sermons, and these statements, and claim, "I misspoke; I said some things which were wrong; these do not represent my philosophy or my feelings about America; I repudiate my own statements." Now, he may still do this, but he has not done this yet. If Obama convinces him to hold such a conference (this could sink Obama's bid for the presidency), what are the chances he will take questions from the press?

3) Of course Jeremy Wright did not say these things when baptizing Obama's children or while marrying the Obama's. However, I am finding it hard to believe that, after attending this church for 20 years, that Obama did not know that Jeremy Wright espoused these radical views. Remember, the Obama's CHOOSE to go to this church for 20 years; this is not some radical backer who has weaseled himself into Obama's world, but Obama has gone to this man, and has many times referred to him as his spiritual guru (in his book, for instance).

4) Finally, it is clear that Michelle Obama, believes in the same racist America, given her public statements and what she wrote when going to Harvard. I guess, somehow, making \$300,000/year is not enough equality for her.

The Basis of an Obama Presidency

Obama has a razor thin record. If you read what I wrote about him two issues ago, you know more about Obama's past political history than any newspaper reporter. His coverage in the media has been overwhelming positive; when news of his pastor's statements broke, very few major news services covered it as these things came out. Although these things could have been known for months, it is only in the past week (Wednesday) that we have heard the hateful, race bating, hate white America and white Americans rhetoric of Obama's pastor (his pastor of 20 years), and Obama's statements are basically twofold (1) I repudiate these hateful remarks and (2) I never heard my pastor say anything like this. Obama wants us to think that he is a good judge of character and that he can make good judgments; so, how come, after 20 years, is he unable to accurately judge his own pastor?

More questions for Obama

[Now, if I can come up with a few difficult questions for Obama, why is our news unable to do so?]

You have said that your association with Tony Rezko was a lapse in judgment. Would you elaborate on that?

When you were in the primary for state senator, all of your opponents were eliminated before the election. How did that happen? What part did you play in their elimination?

Two of your opponents in two elections had their divorce records unsealed during the election, costing them those elections. How does such a fortuitous thing happen to one man--you--in such a short period of time?

Your name was on 26 pieces of legislation in the state senate during your last year in office. How does a junior senator sponsor or co-sponsor so many bills in one year? Did the credit for any of these bills rightfully belong to another state senator?

You have attended the church of Jeremy Wright for 20 years; did he not once make an anti-American statement from the pulpit?

If he did, why did you not find another church to go to?

If he did not, how is it possible that you did not know of his anti-American and racist positions?

Did Jeremy Wright honor Louis Farrakhan? Did he travel with Farrakhan? Were you aware of this? Did his close association with Farrakhan suggest to you that Jeremiah Wright had anti-American, racist leanings?

If you cannot properly judge and evaluate the character of your own pastor after 20 years, how can we possibly trust you to correctly judge and

evaluate the character of the many foreign leaders that will come into contact with?

You put Jeremiah Wright on your African American Religious Leadership Committee; did you do so, not having any idea as to what his positions were on rich White Americans who deserved the attack of 9/11? Were you not aware of any of his foreign policy positions?

If your opinion of our involvement in Iraq is almost exactly the same as Wright's, who influenced who?

How could you possibly know Jeremiah Wright's position on Iraq, but not any of his other political leanings?

Just so we are clear on this issue, if a baby is born alive in a botched abortion, you have voted to kill that baby, is that correct and do you still stand by that vote?

Some Reverend Wright comments

In a 2003 sermon, Wright said of America's treatment of African-Americans: "The government gives them the drugs, builds bigger prisons, passes a three-strike law and then wants us to sing 'God Bless America.' No, no, no, God damn America, that's in the Bible for killing innocent people." "God damn America for treating our citizens as less than human. God damn America for as long as she acts like she is God and she is supreme."

News Bias

As of Friday, 3/15/08, to the best of my knowledge, NBC and CBS have not covered the outrageous statements which Obama's spiritual advisor, Jeremiah Wright, has made. This is important because, the statements which he makes run counter to the fiber of most Americans, black and white. This is important

because Obama, who keeps touting himself as a candidate with good judgment, chose Wright to be his pastor and spiritual leader for 20 years and put him on his African American Religious Leadership Committee (just recently removing him). CNN has begun to cover this story, at first grudgingly (Anderson Cooper whined about having to cover this story at first, saying that it was just not important) and then with greater interest (Anderson Cooper interviewed Obama, who saw this as a fire he needed to put out, Friday night). To his credit, Cooper asked some moderately penetrating questions.

Brian Ross at ABC

Brian Ross is about the only mainstream reporter who is actually examining Obama's background.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4SrtyFY6qTA>

CNN quotes from Obama

Obama denounced some of Wright's sermons on Friday, telling CNN's Anderson Cooper: "These are a series of incendiary statements that I can't object to strongly enough."

Earlier Friday, before the announcement of Wright's departure from the Obama camp, the Illinois senator denounced some of the ministers's sermons, calling them "inflammatory and appalling."

"I categorically denounce any statement that disparages our great country or serves to divide us from our allies," Obama wrote on the liberal Web site Huffingtonpost.com about recently surfaced sermons from Wright -- his longtime pastor at the Trinity United Church of Christ.

"I also believe that words that degrade individuals have no place in our public dialogue, whether it's on the campaign stump or in the

pulpit," Obama continued. "In sum, I reject outright the statements by Rev. Wright that are at issue."

From:

<http://www.cnn.com/2008/POLITICS/03/14/obama.minister/index.html>

Now, how can a man with such impeccable judgment, sit under the teaching of Jeremiah Wright--a man whose teachings he disdains in no uncertain terms--how can he miss this after 20 years?

And how can the mainstream press completely ignore this? Quick: what do you know about Romney? He's a Mormon. Not as many people know he was a governor or where he governed. What do you know about Huckabee? Former Baptist pastor. Do you know that he was a governor and where he governed and for how long he governed and how long ago it was since he was a Baptist minister? The last story I read about Huckabee from a week ago, he again was spoken of as a former Baptist minister; nowhere in the story did it say he served 2.5 terms as governor of Arkansas. So why is Obama's religion swept under the rug? If McCain went to an all-white church which taught the Bible from a white perspective and if his pastor regularly associated with Klansmen, I guarantee you it would be front page news. McCain was suspected of improper behavior 9 years ago by former aides, and this makes the front page in the NY Times.

Our news services and reporters are solidly in the tank for Obama, and this has colored their coverage considerably.

David Brody Comments

Nobody is saying here that Obama believes what his pastor believes. That's missing the point. And I'm sure Obama's church does some great work in the community and the folks who attend are passionate in their walk with Christ. That's not

what we're talking about here. The larger issue is Obama says words do matter. That speeches and words can be uplifting and make a difference. But these words from his pastor contradict everything that Obama says he stands for. These words divide not bring unity. So let me ask you: does Obama need to do and say more on this? Does he need to speak out more forcefully on this or has he said enough?

From:

<http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/339038.aspx>

The Radical Black Perspective

One commentator, trying to mitigate the comments of Obama's pastor has said, "Some Blacks to believe this stuff, so there is nothing wrong with a pastor expressing some of these views."

I can give you at least one example of this:

<http://www.blackcommentator.com/267/267-between-the-lines-obamas-farrakhan-printer-friendly.html>

Some people do not believe that the Holocaust occurred and some believe the George Bush and/or our government detonated one of the twin tower buildings; however, if any of my presidential candidates regularly attended meetings where these viewpoints were espoused, I'd find another candidate.

Obama Church Web Page Changes

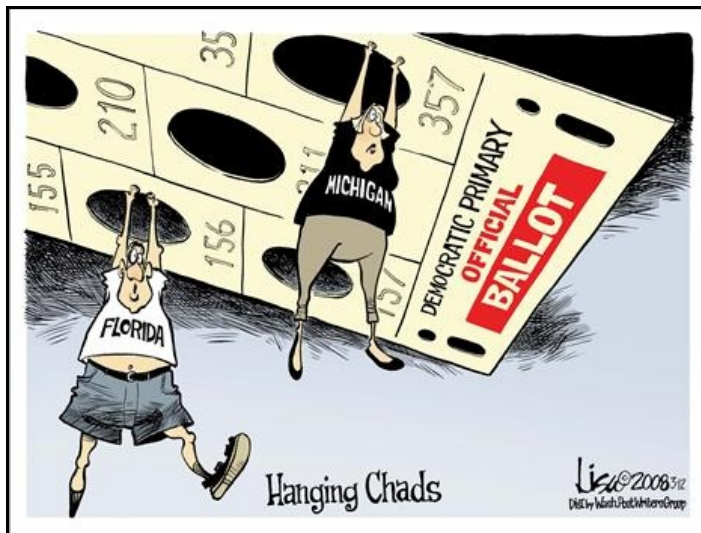
Because of the recent light being thrown upon Obama's church of 20 years, they have cleaned up their website. However, this link will show you what the website used to offer up:

<http://sweetness-light.com/archive/barack-obamas-church-ultra-left-and-afrocentric>

Democratic Health Care

Let's talk about the Democratic primary. For republicans, in virtually every state, the voter goes to the polls, he votes, and either all the state delegates or a proportion of the state's delegates are assigned to the presidential candidate victor. Not so for the Democratic party. Here is what the Dems do:

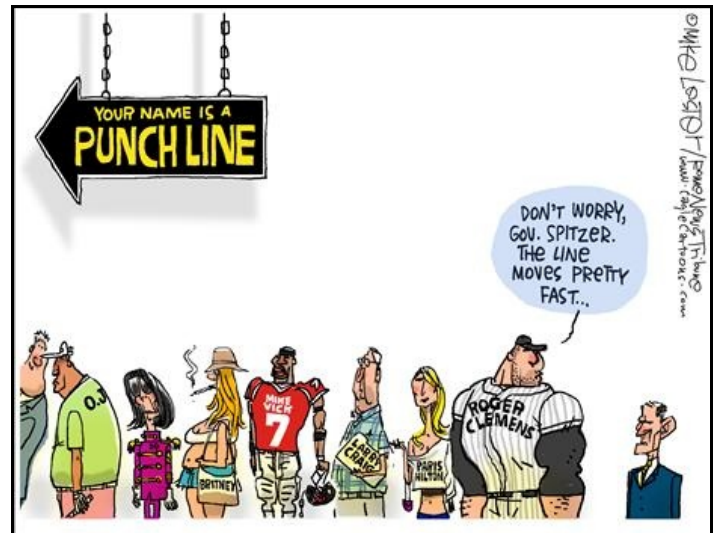
Sometimes a primary is held and sometimes a Caucus. At a Caucus, a group of people show up to a voting place all at the same time and they argue, and then they split up and vote...or not. Sometimes they show up and just vote, but everyone still has to show up at the same time (none of this 7am to 7pm open poll stuff). In Texas, the Democrats have a primary, and then we show up again, at a specific time, and vote a second time. In some of these second votes, there is discussion; but mostly, we just voted a second time.



Michigan and Florida set their primaries too early, so the Democratic party punished them, and held primaries, but did not count it. Millions voted. Obama was on one ballot, but not on another. Take the votes as they stand, and Obama is the clear winner; throw in these votes from Florida

and Michigan, and Obama and Clinton are tied. Have another pair of primaries may put Clinton out in front, given this mess with Obama and his pastor.

On top of this, there are so-called super-delegates, in the Democratic party. These include Bill Clinton and Eliot Spitzer. There are enough super-delegates to determine whether Obama or Clinton will be the Democratic party nominee.



How will they vote? No one knows yet. Some have pledged their votes, some have not; and any of them could change their minds at any time.

This is how the Democratic party runs a simple primary, which, ostensibly, allows the people to choose their next presidential candidate...unless, of course, they vote too early or vote for the wrong person, then the Democratic party goes on to plan B and plan C.

Now, these are the people who want to run your health care system. If they cannot run a simple primary—and if the end result could potentially split the Democratic party in half—do you really want them to be in charge of your health care? They have a lot of experience when it comes to running a primary; they have no experience with running a health care system. If they cannot

handle something which is simple, how in heaven's name can they handle something which is infinitely more complex?

Let me make this point one more time

If Obama cannot accurately assess the character of his own pastor after 20 years observation, how can we possibly trust him to correctly assess the character of any foreign leader in his many proposed discussions without conditions?

Rush Comments on Jeremiah Wright

RUSH: I have to go back, folks, I cannot let this end with what we did yesterday, the Reverend Jeremiah Wright, the spiritual advisor to Democratic presidential hopeful Barack Obama. I have been paying attention to the news media, the Drive-Bys, the mainstream media. These people are so in the tank they ought to be embarrassed. Their job is to ferret out stuff like this and hold the candidates, whoever they are, accountable. He's getting, Obama is, a total pass. In fact, the Drive-By Media mantra on Obama's pastor now seems to be, this is guilt by association. Obama didn't say this. You can't hold him responsible for this. You can't hold Obama accountable. He didn't say any of this. Anderson Cooper last night on CNN, "This focus on Reverend Wright is just completely off track." They're all upset over at CNN and everybody's talking about this, they have to cover it, they don't want to cover it.

In the New York Times today, piece by Jodi Kantor, listen to the last paragraph: "But, despite Mr. Obama's past attempts to distance himself from the harshest language, critics continued to question whether Mr. Wright's statements reflect Mr. Obama's beliefs." How could they not? He chose the place! What is he, an innocent bystander in there? How could they not represent some of his beliefs? Chose to go there, been there 20 years, this guy baptized his kids.

You know the drill. We went through all of this yesterday. When you choose a church to become part of your life, to attend it at least on Sundays, to send your children to, you're doing more than simply associating with it in some loose way. This isn't the case of an endorsement from a politically powerful pastor, some wacko pastor saying, "I endorse Obama," and this guy happens to believe the US should be bombed off the planet, it's not the same thing. Obama chose to go to this guy's church, he chose to go up there, sit in the pew, and listen to the sermons. He has this guy on his campaign staff. (interruption) I know a lot of Democrats don't go to church, Mr. Snerdley, and I'll tell you another problem.

Let's cut to the chase here. A lot of the left in this country, and you'll find a lot of the left represented in the Drive-By Media, don't find much wrong with what the pastor is saying. That's why to them it isn't a news story. Well, of course America is this horrible place. This guy represents a body of thought in this country that's found in various enclaves of the Democrat Party and in a very large enclave of the Drive-By Media, and that's why they don't want to cover it, because to them, it's not news. They knew it would hurt Obama to come out and say, "Hey, what's wrong with the guy's sermon? We agree with all this, or a lot of it." This pastor was the central force in this church, and that's why Obama chose it. It's why the pastor married them. It's why he baptized their kids. There is a story on the American Thinker blog today by C. Edmund Wright, who is not related to Pastor Wright, by the way. His theory is simply that the choice of this church by Obama was calculated so that Obama could establish his black street cred with certain elements of the American population. Now, this is just his theory.

In other words, he embraced Jeremiah Wright and the church's agenda to "get his black street cred to escape his 'white half.'" Now, he's trying to divert attention away from his black street cred. And a little sober reminder here... he is doing this so he can occupy the Oval Office." We

are talking about the leading candidate for the Democrat nomination for president of the United States. Now, this is Mr. C. Edmund Wright's theory, that Obama did this to establish street cred. This was 20 years ago, and did this to mitigate his white half. They chose this church because of the charismatic pastor's beliefs. If they were repulsed by his racism or his anti-Semitism or his trip to Libya with Calypso Louie, or the award given to Calypso Louie by Pastor Wright, they have never showed it. They never said a word at the time. They never said, "Oh, Pastor Wright, we're really, really unhappy here that you're heading off to Libya." No, didn't say a word about that. Now, here's the thing, too. The Obamas are very bright people. They are very, very bright people. They're highly educated people. They are politically astute people. Are we to believe that the pastor's views -- he turns out to be a well-known race-baiter and hater -- were unknown to them, were foreign to them?

It would be reasonable to conclude that this pastor is one of the reasons that Michelle "My Belle" Obama harbors the views that she does. She's an angry woman running around out there. The pastor doesn't just pop off here and there, folks, like the nutty uncle in the attic that Obama is trying to portray him as. This was his usual way of talking. We have a little bit more from him today. We have some extended segments when we come back from the commercial break. And, as you will hear, this is how he thinks. This is who he is. This is what the church life largely consisted of for the Obamas, and they chose this, and this pastor, above all others. I'm telling you, the media's out there trying to say, "This is guilt by association." How many times -- I mentioned this yesterday -- how many times, of those of you who are evangelical Christians, big-time pro-lifers, have you been smeared because you happened to like Pat Robertson? You've been smeared because you happen to like Jerry Falwell? You've been smeared because you happened to go to church? This guilt by association stuff, let's turn

it around and do a 180. A lot of us in this country have been proclaimed guilty, found guilty by virtue of association. Now, all of a sudden, see, it works in a different way when we're talking about liberals. You still would have a tough time finding out what party Eliot Spitzer belongs to if you're watching any of the Drive-By networks or reading any of the big papers.

BREAK TRANSCRIPT

RUSH: How many Republicans have had to apologize, to atone, to beg forgiveness, for daring to speak at Bob Jones University? It's quite a large number, folks. You want to talk about double standards, here? You want to talk about this whole notion of guilt by association? The double standard here is that if Obama's name were Romney, and if the pastor were preaching hate against blacks and associated with neo-Nazis rather than Khadafy, he would be disqualified for president. He would have been drummed out of this campaign many moons ago. Romney made the point yesterday. He was victimized because he was a Mormon, victimized by liberal media. Not because his religion, or his minister preached hate, or segregation, or so forth, but just because his faith was different from the faith of most others. And this guy, Jeremiah Wright, is corrupting Christianity like I can't believe. What he's preaching is not Christianity. We've got a longer version of Pastor Wright from what we played yesterday, three minutes and four seconds here.

WRIGHT: Who cares about what a poor black man has to face every day in a country and a culture controlled by rich white people? Somebody missed that. You got nervous because we got some white members here. I am still in Bible country. I am still in the text. Jesus was a poor black man who lived in a country and who lived in a culture, that was controlled by rich white people! The Romans were rich. The Romans were Italians -- which means they were European, which means they were white -- and the Romans ran everything in Jesus' country. It

just came to me with -- with -- within the past few weeks, y'all, why so many folk are hatin' on Barack Obama. He doesn't fit the model! He ain't white, he ain't rich, and he ain't privileged. (cheers) Hillary fits the mold. Europeans fit the mold! Giuliani fits the mold. Rich white men fit the mold. Hillary never had a cab whiz past her and not pick her up, because her skin was the wrong color. (applause) Hillary never had to worry about being pulled over in her car as a black man driving in the wrong lane! I am sick of Negroes who just do not get it! Hillary was not a black boy raised in a single parent home; Barack was. Barack knows what it means to be a black man living in a country and a culture that is controlled by rich white people! Hillary can never know that! Hillary ain't never been called a nigger. Hillary has never had her people defined as nonpersons. Hillary ain't had to work twice as hard just to get accepted by the rich white folk who run everything, or to get a passing grade when you know you are smarter than their C-students sitting in the White House. Ooooh, I am so glad that I got a God who knows what it is to be a poor black man in a country and a culture that is controlled by and run by rich white people! He taught me, Jesus did, how to love my enemies. Jesus taught me how to love the hell out of my enemies, and not be reduced to their level of hatred, bigotry, and small-mindedness. Hillary ain't never had her own people say she wasn't white enough! Jesus had his own people siding with the enemy! That's why I love Jesus, y'all. He never let their hatred dampen his hope. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing. It's worth --

RUSH: All right, let's play audio sound bite number two. Let's play one more here. By the way, what you just heard was the 2007 Christmas sermon at the Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago. This from the same sermon.

WRIGHT: Hillary is married to Bill, and Bill have been good to us? No, he ain't! Bill did us just like he did Monica Lewinsky. He was riding dirty.

RUSH: He was riiiiiding dirty in the White House! Rich white people! And one more. We've bleeped this out. You heard it yesterday. This is the G.d. America sound bite. This is from a 2003 sermon.

WRIGHT: The government gives them the drugs, builds bigger prisons, passes a three-strike law, and then wants us to sing God Bless America? No, no, no! Not God Bless America! God (Bleep) America! (cheers) -- it's in the Bible -- for killing innocent people! (cheers) God (Bleep) America for treating her citizens as less than human! God (Bleep) America, as long as she tries to act like she is God and she is supreme!

RUSH: That's like the Reverend Jeremiah Wright, the spiritual advisor and chosen pastor of Barack Obama for the past 20 years. Some questions for Senator Obama after all of this. Senator Obama, surely you knew of your pastor's background. You knew what he believed. You knew what he preached. You knew he was a race-baiter and a hater. Yet you not only joined his church, you remained there for 20 years; you had this pastor marry you and your wife, and you had him baptize your children. Can you explain yourself, here? Number two, Senator Obama: Do you think it's healthy for parents to let their young children listen to sermons like this where a pastor is using curse words against God, where he is preaching hatred against whites and Jews, where he's preaching hatred for his own country? Do you think that's healthy for your kids to hear? Senator Obama, if you're unaware of what your own pastor of 20 years has been preaching -- of his association with Farrakhan, of his trip to see Moammar Khadafy -- how can you be trusted to be president of the United States?

How can it be said that you are as smart as they say you are if you're going to tell us you don't know what all this guy has been saying? Senator Obama, as recently as 2006, it's reported that you contributed \$22,500 to the pastor's church. By then you surely knew of his views. You knew

of his trip to Libya with Farrakhan. You knew of the award he gave Farrakhan. You knew all about the hate and racism that your pastor was spewing. Why did you give a \$22,500 contribution to this church rather than resign from it in protest? You give this church, Senator Obama, \$22,500, and you are endorsing what goes on there, and you want it to continue. How many other contributions to the church have you made, Senator Obama, in your 20-year membership? You've said that you don't agree with "everything" the pastor said. Can you tell us what you agree with, from what he has said? You told us what you don't agree with. Please, Senator Obama, tell us what your minister says that you agree with. These are reasonable questions. The man is running for the office of president of the United States of America, and if we didn't have a Drive-By Media in the tank for the guy -- and who probably didn't think half of what this preacher says is true -- they would be asking these questions. And Senator Obama, you take offense at Geraldine Ferraro and others' little criticisms of you?

BREAK TRANSCRIPT

RUSH: One more audio sound bite here from Reverend Jeremiah Wright. This is from the Trinity United Church of Christ, a sermon. This is shortly after 9/11. Yeah, you probably hadn't heard this one, Rachel, but in this one, Reverend Wright says we deserve what we got. We "rich, white peeepeople" deserve to be blown up on 9/11.

WRIGHT: We bombed Hiroshima! We bombed Nagasaki, and we nuked far more than the thousands in New York and the Pentagon, and we never batted an eye. We have supported state terrorism against the Palestinians, and black South Africans, and now we are indignant (cheers) because the stuff we have done overseas is now brought right back into our own front yards! (cheers and applause) America's chickens are coming home...to roost.

RUSH: It's right out of the mouth of Malcolm X. It's right out of Malcolm X. Right out of Malcolm X. "America's chickenssss are coming home to roosssst." Yeah, I know. It was around the time of JFK's assassination. Now, we need to get some credit to somebody. Brian Ross is the one Drive-By reporter who's following up the story and reporting on it. Now, the Wall Street Journal had a column today by Ronald Kessler, but yesterday Brian Ross at ABC did. We've gotta give credit where credit is due. The rest of the Drive-Bys are wishing they could make this go away, because they know it is not helpful to Obama. But Brian Ross, we've had our disagreements with him in the past, but he's been in there on this one.

Also, in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review today, David Brown talked to Obama, and the headline: "Obama Addresses Pa.'s Importance, Pastor's Remarks -- Question: I don't know if you've seen it, but it's all over the wire today (from an ABC News story), a statement that your pastor (the Rev. Jeremiah Wright ...) made in a sermon in 2003 that instead of singing 'God Bless America,' black people should sing a song essentially saying 'God (Bleep) America.' Obama: I haven't seen the line. This is a pastor who is on the brink of retirement who in the past has made some controversial statements. I profoundly disagree with some of these statements. Question: What about this particular statement? Obama: Obviously, I disagree with that. Here is what happens when you just cherry-pick statements from a guy who had a 40-year career as a pastor. There are times when people say things that are just wrong. But I think it's important to judge me on what I've said in the past and what I believe." Well, that's what this is about, Senator.

Senator Obama, I'd like to ask you another question. Could you tell me, cite some things that he has said that you agree with? So far you've been saying, "I don't agree with that, I don't agree with that, but, you know, he's sort of like the crazy uncle out there, and he's retired.

He's been out there 40 years. People are cherry-picking, guilt by association." Tell us something he said that you agree with. There's gotta be something. You're giving the guy \$22,500 at a time. We don't know how many times, at least once. Senator Obama, this is your pastor. Senator Obama, I have another question for you. Why did you invite your pastor to do the prayer to your announcement when you were going to run for the presidency, and then the night before, and cancel it? Why did you do that? Why did you rescind the invitation to your pastor, the night before, after you had asked him to do the prayer? Look, it's not Geraldine Ferraro asking these questions. It's me. El Rushbo.

It does give us some insight into Michelle Obama's comments, though, does it not? I think it matters. She goes to the church. She's been mad for a long time, and the church has only made her madder. I'm telling you, she wasn't proud of her country until when? 'Til this presidential campaign came along and Obama tried to pass over that by saying, "What are you trying to say, that he's unpatriotic?" Well, her comments certainly reflect the views of her pastor. Her pastor's not proud of the country. Her pastor hates the country! Let me tell you something, folks. It is clear that Senator Obama is not being forthright. I'll drop the wife. I don't care about the wife. I just think there's a reason for the attitude that she has. Senator Obama is the one running. He's not being forthright at all. He's spinning now. Nobody's "cherry-picking" anything. He's spinning. This pastor's record is full of hate and race-baiting. That's who he is. That's what he preached. And the kind of responses we're getting from Obama are simply not adequate. They are not adequate.

He's running for president! The more he responds the way he is currently responding, the more questions it raises about his ability to lead the nation. He's got a 40-year career of this, is the point. He leads a double life. He's got two lives. He's got the life before he decided to run for president -- a year and a half ago, or two

years -- and he's got the decades of life prior to that, and that life we're not really going to be told much about. We're supposed to look at only the last two years of Obama. But you've spent, Senator Obama, 20 years following Jeremiah Wright. See, it's Obama who's doing the cherry-picking. It isn't us. Obama is trying to carve out phrases here and there where he says he disagrees with his pastor; justifying his statements about Israel, for instance, or concocting phone contexts for the statements. He's not made a clean break from this racist hater. He's got him on his campaign staff in some sort of advisor role. His association with this pastor runs very, very deep.

Let me put a fine point on it, ladies and gentlemen. This was Obama's spiritual advisor. The idea that this is guilt by association is a disgraceful, transparent attempt to dismiss racial hatred -- and I see some of these Democrat operatives on cable TV, willing to sell out their own principles and values in defense of this racism in order to propel Obama's campaign further down the road. This is what they are doing with this kind of defense, make no mistake about it: selling out their own principles and values in defense of this racism. Any pundit, any pundit who says that this is nothing more than "guilt by association," when this pastor was and is Obama's spiritual advisor and leader, is destroying their reputations. They're excusing racism. They're excusing hatred and anti-Semitism, because that's what Obama's pastor preaches. Let me suggest, ladies and gentlemen, the kind of hate that Pastor Wright was preaching and that he represents is the kind of radicalism we denounce, the kind of hijacking of religion that we denounce

I am saying that somebody who abuses his position and the Bible to preach hate and racism and anti-Semitism, is to be thoroughly denounced. He is using Christianity to promote personal views that are unconscionable, totally antithetical to Christian values and beliefs, and

the idea that Obama selected this church because of this pastor, because of his message -- why else would he have chosen this church? -- is no small matter. And just because the liberal media ignore it, doesn't mean the people of this country should. Obama is asking for our votes. He's asking us to follow him. He's asking us to allow him to lead the nation. He is asking for such authority over our country and the future and the well-being of our families and society. Well, when somebody asks for that kind of power, you damn well know we are going to dig in to who the man is that we are thinking of investing that power. Alarms are going off here, and if the Drive-By Media won't do its job, that's their problem. I can handle it.

(playing of Thank the Lord Rush Limbaugh's On)
BREAK TRANSCRIPT

RUSH: Obama's spokesman, a guy named Bill Burton, has put out a statement. Let me read the statement to you people. I have it here in my formerly nicotine-stained fingers. "Senator Obama deplores divisive statements," other than those he agrees with in which he sends them \$22,500 -- I'm sorry. Not part of the statement. Let me start again. "Senator Obama deplores divisive statements whether they come from his supporters, the supporters of his opponent talk radio, or anywhere else." Divisive statements in talk radio? How do you squeeze that in there? By the way, it was Senator Obama, February 16th, 2008, Founders Day gala, Democrat Party of Wisconsin, he said this.

OBAMA: Don't tell me words don't matter. I have a dream. Just words. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal. Just words. We have nothing to fear but fear itself. Just words, just speeches.

RUSH: Words mean things. Words matter. No, no, no, except in the case of the pastor, in which case he's a crazy uncle, he's been cherry-picked, he's got a 40-year career out there, and just tries to be provocative.

I need to add the Rush made the point that, how can you expect Democrats to run health care if hey cannot even run a relatively simple primary? However, I could not find his text on this. In any case, I want to give credit where credit is due.

