

SOCIAL CHANGE AND FACTORS

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RELIGIOUS FACTORS

TWO PERSPECTIVES

- 1) RELIGION **PREVENTS** SOCIAL CHANGE

By functionalists and Marxists

- 2) RELIGION **PROMOTES** SOCIAL CHANGE

by neo Marxism

RELIGION **PREVENTS** SOCIAL CHANGE

KARL MARX

- RELIGION PREVENTS ANY CHANGE IN SOCIAL SYSTEM
- RELIGION PRESERVES EXISTING CLASS STRUCTURE
- RELIGION JUSTIFIES UNEQUAL SOCIAL ORDER

“GOD DECIDES EVERYTHING”

“GET REWARDS IN HEAVEN”



RELIGION **PROMOTES** SOCIAL CHANGE

MAX WEBER

- **BOOK- PROTESTANT ETHICS AND SPIRIT OF CAPITALISM**
- **EXPLAINS – RELIGION CAN BRING SOCIAL CHANGE**
- **PROTESTANT (GROUP IN CHRISTIANITY) FOCUS IN PRE-DESTINATION**
- **INDIVIDUAL SELF FOR SALVATION**
- **HARDWORK- PROFIT-CAPITALISTS**
- **SOME PEOPLE FELL OFF-POORER- TWO CLASSES FORMED.**



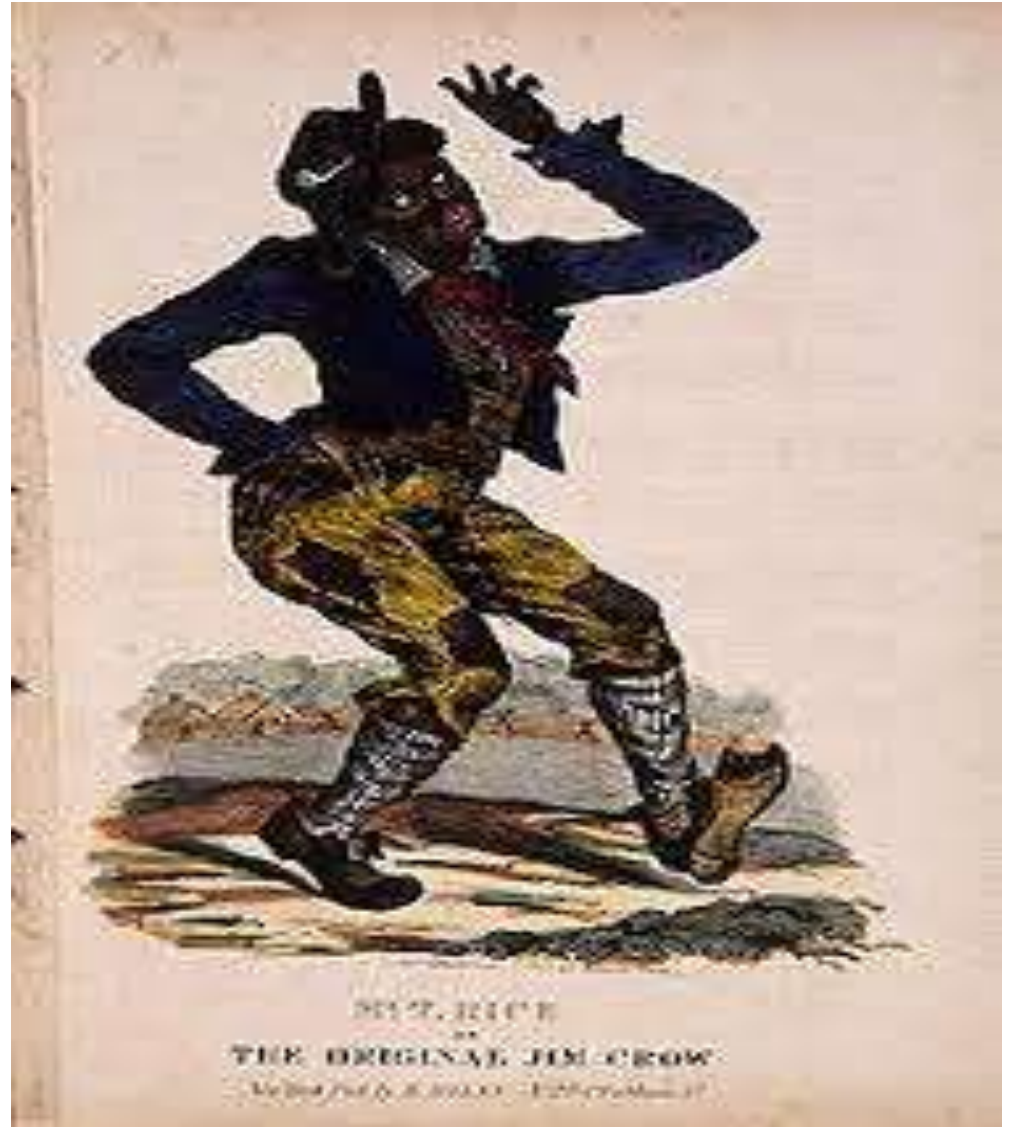
NEO MARXIST- OTTO ADURO

- EXAMPLES FOR BOTH THE CASES
- EXAMPLE OF LATIN AMERICA (TILL 1950-S)
- CATHOLIC CHURCH- SUPREMACY- SUPPORTED ELITES
- WHITE MEN + CHURCH (RELIGION) JUSTIFIED SOCIAL CLASS
- SOCIAL INEQUALITY PERSISTED
- **HERE, RELIGION PREVENTS SOCIAL CHANGE**

LATIN AMERICA AFTER 1950-S

- **RACIAL SEGREGATION WAS THROWN AWAY**
- **CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT STARTED**
- **MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS THE LEADER**
- **‘PEACEFUL PROTEST’**
- **CONCEPT OF BLACK CHURCH CAME UP**
- **TILL THEN ‘JIM CROW’ LAW PREVAILED.**
- **BLACK PEOPLE WERE NOT ALLOWED TO
HAVE A SOCIAL LIFE**

THE JIM CROW REPRESEN TATION



MARTIN LUTHER KING

BLACK CHURCH

THE PLACE WHERE
BLACK PEOPLE
FOLLOW RELIGIOUS
PRACTICES WITH AN
AWARENESS OF
POVERTY, GANG-
VIOLENCE, HEALTH,
RACISM ETC

LIBERATION

THEOLOGY WAS
FORMED



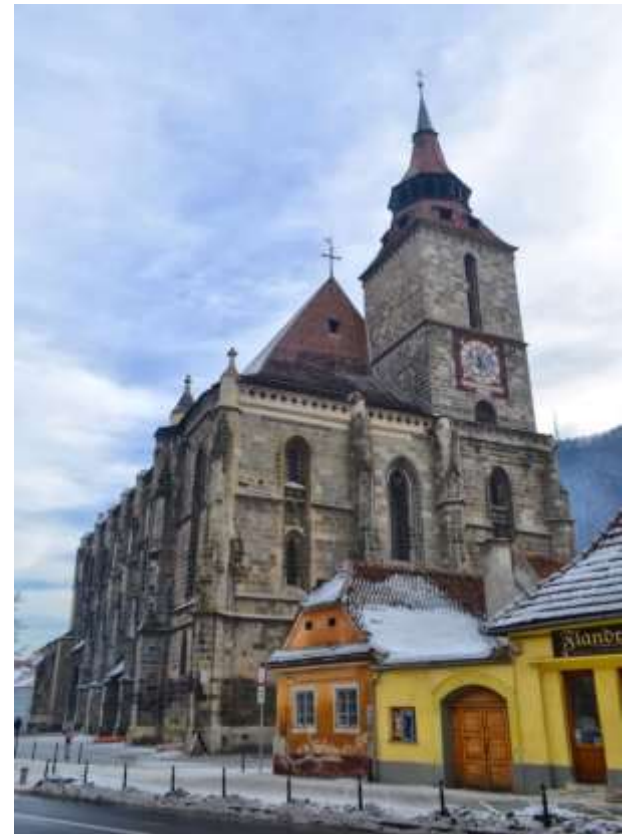
THE BLACK CHURCH

BASED ON CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

- BLACK CHURCH



- SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT
- SPIRITUAL EMPOWERMENT
- AWARENESS
- BETTER LIVING CONDITIONS
- AGAINST SOCIAL INEQUALITY



RELIGIOUS CHANGE= SOCIAL CHANGE

LATIN AMERICA

- THEORY OF LIBERATION
- CONSTITUTION AND LAWS WERE AMENDED
- INEQUALITY WAS ERASED

KERALA

- SREE NARAYANA GURU
- EMPOWERED PEOPLE WITH THE ONENESS OF ALL RELIGION
- THROUGH CLASSES, STORIES, SOCIAL ACTIVITIES
- UPLIFTED LOWER CASTE PEOPLE TO EMPOWERMENT

OVER IMPACT OF RELIGION=NEGATIVE SOCIAL CHANGE

- On 6 December 1992, a large group of Hindu activists of the Vishva Hindu Parishad and allied organisations demolished the 16th-century Babri Mosque in the city of Ayodhya, in Uttar Pradesh. The demolition occurred after a political rally organised by Hindu nationalist organisations at the site turned violent.

OVER IMPACT OF RELIGION=NEGATIVE SOCIAL CHANGE

- The Godhra Train Burning was an incident that occurred on the morning of 27 February 2002, in which 59 people died in a fire inside the Sabarmati Express train near the Godhra railway station in the Indian state of Gujarat. The victims were Hindu pilgrims who were returning from the city of Ayodhya after a religious ceremony at the disputed Babri Masjid site.