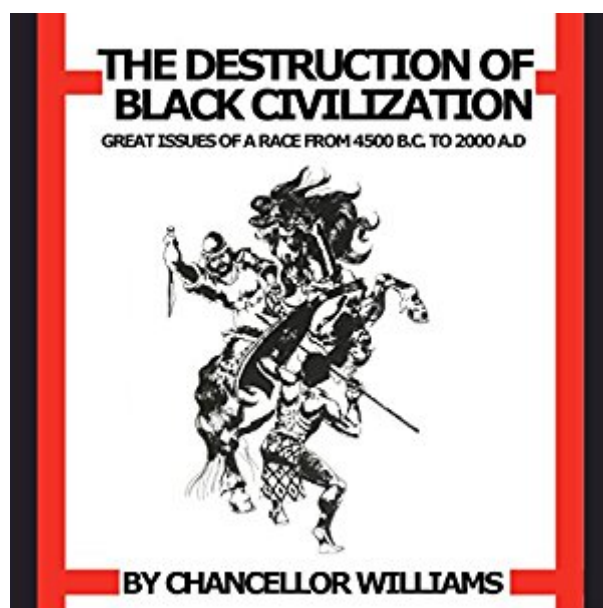


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# **Destruction Of Black Civilization: Great Issues Of A Race From 4500 B.C. To 2000 A.D.**



## Synopsis

The Destruction of Black Civilization took Chancellor Williams 16 years of research and field study to compile. The book, which was to serve as a reinterpretation of the history of the African race, was intended to be "a general rebellion against the subtle message from even the most 'liberal' white authors (and their Negro disciples): 'You belong to a race of nobodies. You have no worthwhile history to point to with pride.'" The book was written at a time when many black students, educators, and scholars were starting to piece together the connection between the way their history was taught and the way they were perceived by others and by themselves. They began to question assumptions made about their history and took it upon themselves to create a new body of historical research. The book is premised on the question: If the Blacks were among the very first builders of civilization and their land the birthplace of civilization, what has happened to them that has left them since then, at the bottom of world society, precisely what happened? The Caucasian answer is simple and well known: The Blacks have always been at the bottom." Williams instead contends that many elements - nature, imperialism, and stolen legacies - have aided in the destruction of the black civilization. The Destruction of Black Civilization is revelatory and revolutionary because it offers a new approach to the research, teaching, and study of African history by shifting the main focus from the history of Arabs and Europeans in Africa to the Africans themselves, offering instead "a history of blacks that is a history of blacks. Because only from history can we learn what our strengths were and, especially, in what particular aspect we are weak and vulnerable. Our history can then become at once the foundation and guiding light for united efforts in serious[ly] planning what we should be about now."

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Empowering book. I have a Masters in African Studies from UCLA and with the exception of Mali, Songhay and Ghana empires, nothing in this book was taught to us. I was self-confident and comfortable in my dark skin before reading this book but after reading this book, I feel so proud of my history...a history I never knew existed.

Gonna keep this short. Great book, a must read for any African American. Don't worry about the 1-star reviews. This book was originally intended to be a multi-volume collection for African history before, during, and after slavery. The reason it isn't is because of the author's Chancellor Williams eye sight going bad so he released what he had. He's blind now but there is concrete names, dates, etc. that you can search up if you're feeling doubtful. I gave this book to my mother after reading it a month ago so I can't give you an exact part to search if you want instant gratification but I'll update my review when I get the book back. Side note there are afro picks in Egypt. The new argument for that is that those were only afro headdresses. Egyptians were us or had a very strong liking towards us Africans. Either way, that should be saying something. You can find this info on Google. You won't find anything to disprove that.

Wonderful reads and incredibly insightful and informative.

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good product

Loved it

I had to have this book. It is the beginning of a long journey into the study of Black History, and I am looking forward to it.

Great read!!!

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