

Core Cultural Traumas of the United States

- ▶ **Genocide** - The deliberate killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation.
- ▶ **Chattel Slavery** - A chattel slave is an enslaved person who is owned forever and whose children and children's children are automatically enslaved. Chattel slaves are individuals treated as complete property, to be bought and sold.
- ▶ **Colonialism** - The policy or practice of acquiring full or partial political control over another country, occupying it with settlers, and exploiting it economically.
- ▶ **Imperialism** - A policy of extending a country's power and influence through diplomacy or military force.
- ▶ **Assimilation into Whiteness** - The process by which a person or persons acquire the social and psychological characteristics of the dominant white cultural group.