

Over the past few weeks, I have researched about the Aztecs. I was curious about a few things, like were the Aztecs religious? What was the military like, and did they use propaganda? What was the Aztecs diet like? Today I will answer these questions.

The Aztecs sacrificed during festivals or in times of need. The Aztecs also sacrificed humans on the last five days of the year, or the five nameless days, because the Aztecs believed that during the five nameless days, the sun could explode and end the fifth age with an earthquake. The Aztecs had a stone that they would sacrifice animals and humans on.

In the Aztecs' culture, joining the military was seen as a brave and noble act. The Aztec craftsmen made colorful armor for the Aztec military because they loved to work with colorful plumes of feathers. The standard Aztec warrior would have respect for the gods and capture people for sacrifices. The highest rank in the Aztec military was to be an eagle or a jaguar, which had their own special armor.

The Aztecs ate things like corn, squash, deer, chili, peppers, tomatoes, beans, avocados, cocoa beans, quinoa, honey, dogs, fish, snakes, and insects. Of course, I am leaving some things out like various fruits and vegetables because that would be a lot. Did you know that the Aztecs discovered chocolate? Chocolate in the Aztec language was chocolatl.

Based on what I have learned after researching the Aztecs, every age ends with the sun burning out and the humans being turned into an animal. For example, in the second age all the humans were turned into monkeys to hang onto trees after Dark Heart of Sky was no longer the sun and unleashed deadly winds and jaguars to kill and eat the humans. In the fourth age, after a massive flood from a tear in the sky, the humans were turned into fish to not drown. The life lesson I saw in the story is that we should always persevere and have a good mindset through hard times because you will be okay.