PrepUS History

Unit 5 – The Civil War

*The Ku Klux Klan: A Secret History*

Video Questions

1. What was the reason the Klan was originally formed? How did their purpose change after their meeting in Nashville?

2. Who was Nathan Bedford Forrest?

3. What were the effects of the Enforcement and Ku Klux Acts?

4. What is a racial caste system?

5. Who was William Joseph Simmons?

6. What was D.W. Griffith’s “The Birth Of A Nation”?

7. When President Wilson said “*It’s like writing history with lightening, My only regret is that it is all so true...”*, how might this have affected the racial attitudes of Americans?

8. What was the “Kloran?”

9. What groups were added to the Klan’s list of enemies when it became a so-called “patriotic organization?”

10. What was the 1921 New York World newspaper story about? What did it cause?