

“What Was the Spanish Civil War of 1936-39?”

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QUESTION: What was the Spanish Civil War of 1936-39?

ANSWER: The “Popular Front” (i.e., the Republican forces – a.k.a. the “Loyalists”) won a clear majority in the elections of 1936 in Spain. The democratically elected government of the Spanish Republic was attempting to reduce the immense power of the Roman Catholic Church in Spain. The Spanish Republican government had given freedom of religion to all Spaniards; it had removed Roman Catholic priests and nuns from teaching positions in Spanish public schools; it had taxed Roman Catholic Church property in Spain; and, after discovering the skeletons of numerous babies in the tunnels between various Roman Catholic monasteries and convents in Spain, it was preparing to launch a national investigation of this Roman Catholic Church scandal. (Spanish doctors had determined that most of the babies found in these tunnels had died from suffocation.)

The response of the Spanish Nationalists-Fascists to these Republican reforms was to launch a vicious civil war (1936-1939). (The Nationalist-Fascist forces were urged to go to war by the Jesuit-controlled Vatican and Spanish Roman Catholic authorities!) In essence, the Roman Catholic hierarchy had declared war on freedom-loving Spaniards, most of whom were Roman Catholic! The Jesuit-controlled Vatican, Nazi Germany, and Fascist Italy all supported the anti-republican, Nationalist-Fascist forces headed by Roman Catholic Fascist General Francisco Franco. The Roman Catholic authorities even arranged for thousands of Moroccan Muslim troops to be brought into Spain to fight alongside the Nationalists-Fascists against the democratically elected Republican government! The “Loyalists” (i.e., the “Republicans” – those who loved freedom and their Republic) were able to hold onto part of Spain through three hard years of fighting; however, they were finally defeated by military forces with vastly superior military equipment and weaponry. (By the way, the USA and Britain refused to help the military forces of the democratically elected Spanish Republican government!)

Roman Catholic propagandists portrayed this civil war as a struggle of the Spanish Nationalists-Fascists and the Roman Catholic Church against “Communism” in Spain; however, there was only a handful of Communists in the Spanish Republican government, which was made up from numerous groups within the country, including several socialist parties. Soviet military support to the Republican government was minimal, and paled in comparison to German and Italian military support to the Spanish Nationalists-Fascists. (German and Italian military support included pilots, advisers, and top-notch, modern military equipment – even aircraft.)

Finally, the anti-republican, Nationalist-Fascist forces, with a lot of help from the Jesuit-controlled Vatican – and strong military support from Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy –and using thousands of Muslim troops – defeated the Spanish Republican military forces.

The Jesuit-controlled Vatican’s “pay-back” to the freedom-loving Spanish people (again, most of whom were Roman Catholic), for daring to challenge the “authority” of the Roman Catholic Church in Spain, manifested itself thusly: (1) Hundreds of thousands of freedom-loving Spaniards were murdered (possibly as many as 850,000); (2) Many Spanish women and girls were brutally raped; and, (3) At the end of the civil war, a totalitarian Fascist dictatorship was set up under the “leadership” of Roman Catholic Fascist dictator, Generalissimo Francisco Franco – a puppet of the Jesuit-controlled Vatican! Franco immediately “turned back the clock” of Republican reforms (e.g., freedom of religion, a reduction of the Roman Catholic Church’s power in Spain, etc.). The Jesuit-controlled Spanish Roman Catholic Church once again reigned supreme in Spain, and, as a result, freedom in Spain died!

In a May 19, 1821 letter to Thomas Jefferson, John Adams (1735-1826; 2nd U.S. President) stated: “*Can free government possibly exist with the Roman Catholic Religion?*” The freedom-loving Spanish people who supported the democratically elected Republican government in Spain in the late 1930s found out the hard way that “*free government*” could not “*possibly exist with the Roman Catholic Religion*”!

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