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Beating Simon Cowell at his own game

London, England (CNN) -- Last week, he was the anonymous leader of the Facebook campaign to oust Simon Cowell's "X Factor" winner Joe McElderry. This week he's probably fielded more calls than his musical nemesis.

Jon Morter told CNN's Becky Anderson that a chance viewing of UK talent show "The X Factor" a few weeks ago got his own creative juices flowing.

"I was watching along and my thoughts progressed towards Christmas thinking they're just going to get another Christmas as number one. And I thought, that's boring. Let's do something about this."

The rest, as they say, is history. Morter's campaign on Facebook to get Rage Against The Machine to the Christmas number one slot was a resounding success with over 500,000 singles downloaded.

The song "Killing in the Name" is probably the least festive single ever to top the UK charts. But that didn't bother Morter as the song has been a favorite of his for years.

"It's been part of me growing up for the past 10-15 years. Does it send the right message? I don't know really. It was just to stick something else at number one that was different, that wasn't a sugary ballad. Something with a bit of kick to it," he said.

For Morter, the campaign was about redressing the balance that had become skewed since "X Factor" took over the Christmas charts.

"The whole point of the campaign was the Christmas number one domination. Since I was young kid I always followed the Christmas Number one."

Morter's success highlights how downloads have changed the music charts in recent years.

"The technology is vastly different now and the rules are different as well for the charts. So strictly speaking any song that you pay for a download -- over 40 pence I think -- can be a single. So in theory anything can be a number one now if you push it."

Despite suffering a rare defeat, Simon Cowell was gracious and congratulated Morter personally and even managed to put a positive spin on events.

"He thanked us for a good campaign and said it was a complete shot in the arm for the Christmas charts with so many people looking forward to this chart. In that respect we had a great conversation. He was very nice."

Morter's propulsion into the media spotlight hasn't surprised him though. And the stranglehold that "The X Factor" has had over the past four Christmases hasn't pleased everyone. Perhaps most pleasing for Morter is the fact that he's dared to take on such a colossus of the music industry and won.

"Someone who's not in the music industry has suddenly turned up and beaten him at his own game," he said. "I not surprised it's caused a lot of shock."

Source

Re: "Killing in the Name" #1 Christmas Song in UK - posted by Compton (), on: 2009/12/22 17:56

Not sure how significant this 'event' is here...

However I do find it silly that supposed anti-establishmenters like Rage Against the Machine (whatever) can taunt the listener with "And now you do what they told ya, now you're under control"...and then reap huge profits because Jon Morter tells people to buy their song and they slavishly comply. I don't think this remote controlled human herd is the triumph for anarchy they were hoping for when they wrote this piece of "music". Or then again...maybe it was.-D

MC

Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2009/12/22 18:02

Greetings Heartsong

why does this matter? Why post it?

God Bless
Maryjane

Re: "Killing in the Name" #1 Christmas Song in UK - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2009/12/22 18:09

Ok, I am likely the most ignorant person reading this post! :-(What is the significance of this information?

ginnyrose

Re: - posted by HeartSong, on: 2009/12/22 19:19

There is a mob mentality that is rising to the surface. These "social" networks that are being established are starting to be used to direct the minds of the people. People are jumping on board to they know not what just so that they can be a part of the effect.

This so called Christmas song has nothing to do with Christmas, if fact it contains foul language, yet the people came forth as one to declare it as valid. The name of the song itself is very telling.

Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2009/12/22 19:24

Greetings heartsong

Since I do not listen to worldly music, or follow or post to any of the social networks out there this one passed right over my head. Thank you for explaining your heart on this.

God bless
maryjane

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2009/12/28 8:06

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'...the triumph for anarchy they were hoping for when they wrote this piece of "music".'

The undercurrent of this is something we may be more aware of in the future. Lets hope and pray not.

Re: "Killing in the Name" #1 Christmas Song in UK, on: 2009/12/28 10:47

HeartSong wrote

Quote:

-----These "social" networks that are being established are starting to be used to direct the minds of the people.

I'm afraid this is far from new. But you are right that the desired effect was carefully planned, by those who are, in fact, pulling the strings in this world.

Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2009/12/28 11:04

I think it is obvious what is going on in the world and more and more so, and i think those who have the spirit of God will be as grieved about it as he is, but also at the same time. We know it will like this, and it will become much worse before it becomes better. But let us pray and be sober.

And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. (Luk 21:28 KJV)

I cant help rejoice, i know he is at the door and soon he comes in glory.... it will all pass, i just pray i would be a bright shining light the greater the darkness become on the earth that men may see Christ.

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2010/1/9 13:38

Hi everyone.

I thought about this thread this morning and wanted to share a few more things with you all.

I'll take off from some of the things that Brothertom wrote in regards to the song:

"...it would serve as a road sign to mark the decline of Christianity and social morality and decency in the western world.

It's sends a message of Anarchy...

...anti-Christ sentiments. It speaks of a new level of pure hatred and venom, against our Lord and His church..."

I've noticed alot of things over the past year. There are two anarchist book stores now on the street that I told you all about before where a group of people were riding on bicycles, naked.

I've seen socialist propaganda and advertisements posted near a university campus, and anti-Israel propaganda in several places. And recently what was described as a molotov cocktail was allegedly found along with some anti-Israel books in a downtown parking garage.

I even found an invitation to some sort of communist organisation on the ground one night. Around the same time, I had stopped to talk to a group of three young men. I had noticed that one of them had a picture of Che Guevara on his clothing, who is descibed in a biography on Wikipedia as a "Marxist revolutionary".

After we talked for a bit about that, they all claimed to be communists. The one that spoke up the most(if I recall it correctly) was even wearing a green military style jacket and smoking a cigar. But otherwise they appeared to be typical North American youths. His 'speil' for communisim was for the most part this: to downplay the crimes committed under communist dictatorships and to emphasise those done by western or capitalists states. That, and to claim that he had been disadvantaged to succeed by the greedy capitalisitc system.

All of the things that have been mentioned here I think can be summed up in one word: subversion.

I've mentioned in several places a book that I've recently read by Pastor Wurmbrand called *Marx & Satan*. As the title suggests, a connection is attempted to be made between Marx and Communism, and Satan and Satanism.

Some quotes from the book have really stood out to me in different topics of late. I think they are relevant here especially.

For instance, Lenin is quoted as saying:

"We have to use any ruse, dodge, trick, cunning, unlawful method, concealment, and veiling of the truth. The basic rule is to exploit the conflicting interests of the capitalist states."

He also quotes a man named Mikhail Bakunin, who he says was a partner with Marx in something called 'The First International' and who he describes as having been a Russian anarchist:

"In this revolution we will have to awaken the Devil in people, to stir up the basest passions. Our mission is to destroy, not to edify. The passion of destruction is a creative passion."

Finally, he quotes Marx from a poem he attributes to him titled "Human Pride":

"With disdain I will throw my gauntlet
Full in the face of the world,
And see the collapse of this pygmy giant
Whose fall will not stifle my ardour.
Then will I wander godlike and victorious
Through the ruins of the world
And, giving my words and active force,
I will feel equal to the Creator."

The thief does not come, but for to kill, and to steal, and to destroy.