The history of Nazi Germany is the subject of endless fascination on the part of the general public and scholars alike. It deserves this attention. The state created by Hitler ignited what was the most destructive war in history and commissioned one of the most repulsive state crimes known to man. The fundamental factors shaping these events were the central policymaking role of Hitler and the pervasive influence of his racist, imperialist ideology. Economic recovery, military regeneration, the reordering of society, territorial expansion, and racial persecution were inseparable. There is no bright side to the history of the Third Reich. It is a story of unrelieved gloom and unexampled horror, and it is all the more relevant for that.

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