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President Lincoln did not believe in slavery as we all know. When we do events and discuss the War of Rebellion with the public; let us discuss some of the following things that Lincoln believed in.

First is that Mr. Lincoln believed in and supported the American Colonization Society program in 1854. In 1820 this society bought land in Liberia to send the slaves that were freed. Lincoln supported this program even though he knew that in 1854 is was logistically and financially costly.

Second, Mr. Lincoln believed in gradual emancipation. Lincoln wanted controlled management where you gradually freed the slaves. This would provide adjustment to freed slaves within our Country.

Last, Congressman Lincoln with Congressman Joshua Giddings introduced a bill known as Wilmot Proviso. This bill would abolish slavery in new U. S. territories acquired from Mexico. The bill was defeated in Congress.

These viewpoints the Mr. Lincoln believed in helps explain his speeches and letters later in his life. Let us continue to preserve the history of the Boys in Blue.

Yours In Fraternity, Loyalty, and Charity.