

Questions related to Breaking with Communism

1. In the Great Purge, why did former high-ranking Soviet Communists confess to treason?
2. What was the purpose of the Purge, and what was the justification for it?
3. Explain Lenin's quotation: "Better less, but better."
4. How did the Purge have a "shattering impact" on other Communists? Quote the text.
5. Chambers asserted that, "as Communists, Stalin and the Stalinists were absolutely justified in making the Purge." Explain what Chambers meant.
6. Why did Chambers read *I Speak for the Dead*, a book critical of Soviet Communism?
7. What did Chambers come to conclude about Communism, and what was the consequence of this new conviction?