

# "A COLD SOLDIER"

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I AM A MINORITY. AND WHEN PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT MINORITIES AND THEY GET TO TALKIN' TO ME AND THEY SAY THINGS LIKE: 'YOU CANT DWELL ON THE PAST' & 'YOU CANT YOU CANT BLAME ANYONE ELSE FOR YOUR PROBLEMS'; WHEN THEY TALK TO ME LIKE THAT I AUTOMATICALLY BEGIN TO LOSE MY PATIENCE BECUZ AT THAT POINT THEY BEGIN TO WASTE MY TIME. . .

I SAY WASTE MY TIME BECUZ WHEN PEOPLE TOSS THE WORD 'BLAME' AROUND (WHO YOU CAN 'BLAME' & WHO YOU CANT 'BLAME') THATS WHAT YOU'RE DOING. WASTING TIME.

I DONT HAVE TIME TO TALK LIKE THAT.

FIGURING OUT WHAT AND WHO MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY: 'WHAT TRIGGERS WHAT'; THE CAUSE AND EFFECT. . .

I'M TOO FOCUSED ON THAT TO ALLOW MYSELF TO BECOME DISTRACTED BY THESE "BLAME" CONVERSATIONS.

SO WHEN I ASK PEOPLE WITH SUCH RIGHT-WING VIEWS TO SPARE ME, I ONLY HOPE THAT THEY CAN UNDERSTAND INSTEAD OF TAKING IT PERSONAL.

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

SO MANY PEOPLE ARE BORN INTO A WORLD THAT HAVES SO  
MANY PEOPLE IN IT THAT WAS HERE BEFORE THEM. . . .  
IT IS UP TO US AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT  
WE ARE THE BEST PEOPLE THAT WE CAN BE BECUZ THE NEW  
LIVES WHO COME INTO OUR LIVES WILL FOLLOW US. THEY  
WILL EMULATE US.  
AND EVENTUALLY THEY WILL BECOME US. . . .  
THE PAST IS VERY IMPORTANT. THE PAST IS AS EQUALLY  
IMPORTANT AS OUR FUTURE. . . .  
BOB MARLEY SAID IN THIS GREAT FUTURE YOU CANT  
FORGET YOUR PAST. . . I SAY TO YOU THAT YOUR  
PRESENT IS YOUR FUTURE PAST AND YOUR FUTURE  
IS YOUR FUTURE PRESENT. . . .  
SO BE CAREFUL HOW YOU WRITE THE BOOKS.  
THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

I WANNA THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE.

I WAS BORN IN THE 80'S SO TEN TIMES OUT OF TEN I CAME INTO THE WORLD HIGH OFF CRACK. I GREW UP IN THE URBAN GHETTOS OF LOS ANGELES SO TEN TIMES OUT OF TEN, BECUZ OF THE STRATEGIC LIVING CONDITIONS THAT EXISTED BEFORE I GOT THERE, I WAS SUBJECTED TO CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR, GANG LIFE AND JAIL LIFE.

BECUZ PEOPLE FROM URBAN COMMUNITIES ARE TOLD ALMOST THEIR WHOLE LIVES BY PEOPLE FROM THE SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES WHENEVER THEY CROSS PATHS, THAT THE PEOPLE FROM THE URBAN COMMUNITIES HAVE A CHOICE AND THAT THEY CANT BLAME ANYONE ELSE FOR THEIR PROBLEMS - TEN TIMES OUT OF TEN THE URBAN PEOPLE WILL ADOPT THOSE VERY WORDS AND THEY WILL EVENTUALLY BECOME THEIR OWN.

I KNOW THIS. I KNOW THIS FOR A FACT BECUZ IT HAPPENED TO ME. IN THE FLESH.

IT TOOK ME A LONG TO FIGURE OUT THE SCIENCE BEHIND THE PHENOMENON OF THIS VICIOUS CYCLE. BUT THE RESULTS ARE IN: NO LONGER WILL THEY USE THE WORD 'BLAME' AS A MONKEY WRENCH TO DERAIL OUR TRAIN THATS HEADED TOWARDS A NEW FUTURE - TOWARDS US SEEING THE WORLD THRU A PROGRESSIVE LENSE - TOWARDS US REALIZING THAT NO, NO ONE CAN 'BLAME' ANYONE FOR ANYTHING. BUT WHAT ABOUT RESPONSIBILITY? WILL ANYONE DARE LOOK US IN OUR BROWN EYES AND TELL US WE ARE RESPONSIBLE?!

- RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POOR LIVING CONDITIONS IN URBAN COMMUNITIES?
- RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DRUGS THAT CONTINUES TO CROSS OVER INTO THE U.S. BORDERS AND INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS?
- RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MILITARY ISSUED ARMY GUNS AND ASSAULT RIFLES THAT SOMEHOW FINDS THEIR WAY INTO THE HANDS OF CHILDREN?
- RESPONSIBLE FOR LOVED ONE WHO'VE LOST AND CONTINUE TO LOOSE THEIR LIVES OVER-SEAS FIGHTING A WAR THEY NEVER STARTED? . . . I THINK WE ALL KNOW WHO'S RESPONSIBLE. I THATS WHY THEY USE WORDS LIKE 'BLAME' BECUZ THEY KNOW THEY WILL NEVER

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LOOK US IN OUR BROWN EYES AND TELL US WE'RE RESPONSIBLE. . . .

I WAS ABLE TO WETHER THE STORM. TO FINALLY GOT AWAY FROM INCARCERATION. I WAS ABLE TO STILL DREAM. TO STILL HOPE. TO STILL WORK HARD AND SHOW MY TALENTS. I WAS ABLE TO STILL LOVE AND MARRY, AND REPRODUCE AND LAUGH, EVENTHO' I CRIED FIRST. I WAS ABLE TO FIGHT BACK AND STAND UP AND CHANGE A SITUATION FROM WORSE TO BETTER. I WAS ABLE AFTER ALL THIS TIME TO FINALLY GRAB A HOLD OF THAT LIL SOMETHIN' I ALWAYS FELT BUT COULD NEVER FIND THE RIGHT WORDS TO DESCRIBE - AND SAY 'EM. AND THEN FINALLY SAY 'EM TO YOU. AND REALIZE THAT IN ORDER TO CHANGE THINGS I WILL HAVE TO ALWAYS SAY THEM. . . TO YOU.

THESE ARE MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS. BUT WHEN I SPEAK ABOUT MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, I'M NOT BRAGGING; I'M EXPOUNDING ON OPPORTUNITY.

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

THIS IS WHAT I SAY

I SAY: YOU KNOW, I USED TO THINK THAT THEY MADE THIS BIG PROFIT FROM MASS INCARCERATION. I MEAN THE PUNISHMENT INDUSTRY IS A BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY.

BUT THAT'S A BILLION DOLLARS LOST, NOT A BILLION DOLLARS MADE. IN FACT THE ONLY ONES WHO STAND TO BENEFIT FROM THE SCHEME OF THINGS ARE THE ONES WHO ARE EMPLOYED WITHIN THE PUNISHMENT INDUSTRY.

THE GOVERNMENT ON THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL SEE MONETARY LOSSES ANNUALLY AS THE ENACTMENT OF NEW LAWS CONTINUE TO INTERGRATE WITH THE AMERIKKAN PEOPLE WHILE POLICE AND CITY OFFICIALS CONTINUE ON WITH 'TOUGH ON CRIME' CAMPAIGNS THAT CONTINUE TO BE OVER-ENFORCED.

SO THE QUESTION IS: IF MASS INCARCERATION ISN'T TURNING A MASS PROFIT THEN WHY IS IT HAPPENING?

WHY ARE INCARCERATION RATES STRATEGICALLY RISING EVERY YEAR? IS MODERN DAY SLAVERY - TALK A TRUTH OR A MYTH?

I SAY: MASS INCARCERATION RATES CONTINUE TO STRATEGICALLY RISE FOR THE SAME REASON THESE 'TOUGH ON CRIME' CAMPAIGNS AND POLICES (WHICH LEADS TO OVER INCARCERATION) CONTINUES: FOR BEHAVIOR CONTROL. THAT'S WHY! OF COURSE MODERN DAY SLAVERY EXISTS.

THEY THROW THESE LAWS ON THE BALLOT - SWAY THE PEOPLE WITH PROMISES TO SWAY THE VOTE AND THEN ENACT AND OVER-ENFORCE THESE LAWS THAT OVER-INCARCERATES TO MAKE TWO CLASSES OF THE AMERIKKAN PEOPLE.

THERE ARE TWO CLASSES: THE ONES WHO FOLLOW, AND THE ONES THAT FOLLOW NOT. THE ONES WHO FOLLOW (THE LAW ABIDING CITIZEN) ARE THE WORKFORCE AND THE CONSUMERS. THESE ARE THE SLAVES.

THE MODERN DAY SLAVE CHASES THE AMERICAN DREAM - CHASES EVERY T.V. COMMERCIAL AND THEN FINALLY OVER-CONSUMES. EVERYONE WANTS TO SHINE.

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EVERY DOLLAR SPENT BY THE CONSUMER GOES INTO THE POCKET OF THE CAPITALIST - THE COMMODITY MANUFACTURER / IMPORTER - THE COMMODITY MARKETER.

THE MODERN DAY SLAVE-CONSUMER IS TAXED JUST BECUZ. THEY PAY IN ORDER TO BE PAID. THEY PAY IN ORDER TO OWN. MANY GO INTO DEBT. MANY WORK AND PAY THEIR WHOLE LIVES UNTIL THEY DIE. THEIR LIFE WAS NEVER TAX FREE. NEVER. THEY PAID A TAX FOR EVERYTHING THEY BOUGHT. EVERYTHING.

THE ONES WHO FOLLOW NOT: THE MAJORITY OF THE FOLLOW NOTS ARE THE HUSTLERS AND THE TAKERS. THEY ARE ALSO OVER-CONSUMERS. EVERYONE WANTS TO SHINE.

THE AMERICAN IS VERY POWERFUL. IT IS SO POWERFUL THAT IT MAKES SLAVES OUT OF ALL THOSE WHO CHASE IT.

BUT ITS MANDATED THAT IT BE CHASED IN A CERTAIN WAY - A TAXED WAY; SO THAT THE ONES WHO CHASE THE DREAM CAN BE CAPITALIZED OFF OF TO THE MAXIMUM OF THEIR POTENTIAL.

IF YOU CHASE THE DREAM IN ANY OTHER WAY, YOU DO NOT CONFORM TO THE ROLE THAT YOU WERE BORN TO UPHOLD: YOU'RE ODD. YOU'RE A MONETARY LOSS TO THE CAPITALIST GOVERNMENT WHEN YOU LIVE TAX FREE. YOU BECOME A THREAT TO THE SCHEME OF THINGS. AND ALL THREATS MUST BE SUPPRESSED.

EVEN IF THE SUPPRESSION AMOUNTS TO OPPRESSION, AND THIS IS WHY THE PUNISHMENT INDUSTRY CONTINUES AND WILL ALWAYS CONTINUE TO OVER-INCARCERATE.

BECUZ PRISON AND PRISON EXPANSION IS THE PERFECT SOLUTION TO THE FOLLOW NOTS.

THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.

YOU CAN LOCK ME UP I DONT GIVE A FUCK! YOU CAN NEVER TRULY CAGE ME. MY WILL AND MY SPIRIT TRANSCENDS THESE WALLS. AND THATS REAL STEEL! STEEL REAL ENOUGH AND SHARP ENOUGH TO PUNCTURE THE WING OF MY OPPRESSOR. TIME IS RUNING OUT. THE U. \$. DOLLAR IS LOSING VALUE. WHAT AM I TALKING ABOUT? LOOK AT WHAT I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT AND ANSWER YOUR OWN QUESTION. WE'RE TIRED OF OPPRESSION. OF INCACERATION. OF POVERTY. OF DEATH BY THE HANDS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT.

IF WE HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO INVADÉ IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN, WE HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO STOP THE DRUGS FROM CROSSING THE U. \$. BORDERS AND WE HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO FEED THE HOMELESS YOU SON OF A BITCH. SO SPARE ME. THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.



YOU KNOW, THE VERY PEOPLE WHO CRITICIZE YOUR LIFE ARE USUALLY THE SAME PEOPLE THAT DONT KNOW THE PRICE YOU PAID TO GET WHERE YOU ARE TODAY.

SO HOW CAN WE LET THEM CRITICIZE US? WE CANT... SCREW THEM. AND SCREW THE VERY SAME PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY KNOW THE PRICE WE PAID TO GET WHERE WE ARE TODAY AND TRY TO USE OUR PAST AGAINST US, TO JUDGE US, TO CONDEMN US.

I WANT YOU TO LOOK FOR THESE PEOPLE AND LISTEN FOR THEM.

THEY ALL LOOK THE SAME. THEY ALL SOUND THE SAME. THEY'RE EASY TO SPOT. THEY DONT LOOK LIKE US. THEY DONT SOUND LIKE US. WHEN YOU COME ACROSS ONE TELL THEM TO SHOVE THAT BULLSHIT BACK UP THEIR ASSES WHERE IT CAME FROM.

THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.

THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE.

WAR WILL MAKE ME GO TO WAR. THE CLOUDS WILL MAKE ME CRY A STORM. SUMMER HAS NEVER KEPT ME WARM. ALL I KNOW IS WAR. WAR WILL MAKE ME GO TO WAR.

I WANNA ENGAGE YOU ON A TOPIC THAT PEOPLE ARE NOT ENGAGED ON ENOUGH. I WANNA TALK ABOUT CALIFORNIA PRISON WAR. WHEN I SAY WAR, I MEAN RACIAL WAR. RACIAL WAR BETWEEN BLACKS AND LATINOS. RACIAL WAR BETWEEN BLACKS AND WHITES.

LIKE A CHESS GAME, PEOPLE TALK ALOT BUT THEY'RE NOT REALLY. READY FOR THE END. NO INSTANT REPLAY WHEN ITS ALL OVER SO BE CAREFUL HOW YOU BEGIN.

WHEN A WAR STARTS BETWEEN TWO RACES IN CALIFORNIA PRISON LIFE THE WAR CAN LAST A LONG TIME. SEGREGATED LOCK-DOWNS CAN STRETCH OUT TO MONTHS AND YEARS. SOLITARY CONFINEMENT BECOMES ENEVITABLE. THE PRISON GUARD SHOOTS THE MINI-14 ASSUALT RIFLE AT A INMATE WHOS STABBING HIS OPPONENT WITH A PRISON KNIFE. HE MAY DIE FROM THE GUN-SHOT WOUND. HE MAY LIVE. HE WHO IS BEING STABBED IS MOST LIKELY STABBING BACK. EITHER MAY DIE FROM THE STAB WOUND. EITHER MAY LIVE. BUT THE GUARD IN THE GUN-TOWER WILL TAKE YOUR LIFE ("ALLEGEDLY") TO SAVE ANOTHER... IN THE CALIFORNIA PRISON WORLD THESE ARE THE ONLY RULES TO OUR WARS; YO OR DIE. TROWN OR SWIM.

IF IT WERE YOU WHAT WOULD YOU DO? YOU COULD SAY THAT YOU WOULD DO ALOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS. YOU COULD EVEN SAY THAT YOU WOULD NEVER BE IN PRISON AT ALL. BUT WHAT ABOUT ME? I SAY. THIS: WAR WILL MAKE ME GO TO WAR.

THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.

STAND UP! THAT IS WHAT I SAY TO YOU. NEVER GIVE UP!  
THAT IS WHAT I SAY TO YOU. BUT DON'T BE NOBODY'S FOOL.  
AND DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME. I SAY THIS TO YOU BECAUSE  
OUR TIME IS TOO PRECIOUS TO WASTE. WE HAVE AN  
AGENDA! AND WE'RE VERY SERIOUS. SO DON'T PLAY WITH  
US. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY DON'T WASTE OUR TIME. BECAUSE  
OUR TIME IS TOO PRECIOUS TO WASTE.

WHAT I SEE, THIS IS WHAT I SEE: I SEE KIDS IN URBAN  
STREET LIFE WHO STRUGGLE TO FIND THEIR HERITAGE  
WITHOUT A FATHER. I SEE KIDS BORN TO MOTHERS WHO ARE  
ONLY EQUIPPED WITH ENOUGH KNOWLEDGE TO BARE CHILDREN  
BUT NOT WITH ENOUGH KNOWLEDGE OR STABILITY TO  
RAISE THESE CHILDREN.

I SEE MEN RELEASED FRESH FROM JAIL AND PRISON CELLS  
MEETING THESE CHILDREN FOR THE FIRST TIME  
WITHOUT THE SUFFICIENT MEANS TO PROVIDE FOR  
THESE CHILDREN. I SEE THE FEAR IN THESE MEN  
EYES BEFORE THEY'RE RELEASED. I FEEL THE FEAR  
OF THESE MEN IN MY STOMACH. THE FEAR OF FAILURE,  
THE FEAR OF RECIDIVISM, THE FEAR OF LOSING THIS  
BATTLE WITH THE BEAST THAT HOUSES THESE MEN  
IN ITS BELLY.

AND I SAY: STAND UP! THIS IS WHAT I SAY  
TO YOU. NEVER GIVE UP! THIS IS WHAT I SAY  
TO YOU. FUCK! FEAR. THAT IS WHAT I SAY  
TO YOU. THEY CAN NOT SUPPRESS OUR ATTEMPTS  
AT SUCCESS. OUR ATTEMPTS AT MENTAL  
AND SPIRITUAL LIBERATION.

AND THAT IS WHY I SAY: STAND UP! THAT  
IS WHY I SAY. IT. WHY I SAY IT TO YOU,  
SO STAND UP. . .

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

HOW LONG WILL YOU WATCH OTHERS DO WHAT YOU WANNA DO . . . . - BEFORE YOU REALIZE YOU FINNA GET UP AND GO GET IT - KNOW WHAT I'M TALKIN' ABOUT?

HOW LONG WILL YOU SIT BY AND LET OTHERS CAPITALIZE OFF OF YOU? TAX YOU. MAKE YOU. BREAK YOU. AND SHAKE YOU . . . . WHENEVER THEY CHOOSE TO? CAN ANYONE ANSWER MY QUESTION? HOW LONG?

GET UP! GO MAKE THE MOVES THAT NEEDS TO BE MADE. DONT MISTAKE MY WORDS. AND DONT PLAY YOURSELF. YOU NEED TO GO GET YOUR PIECE OF THE PIE AND TAKE YOUR BITE OUT! DONT LET OTHERS DO ALL THE THINGS THAT YOU WANNA DO WHILE YOU JUST SIT BACK AND WATCH THEM DO IT. AND

DONT WANT TO JUST TO DO SOMETHING JUST BECUZ YOU SEE OTHERS DOING IT. . . . MAKE SURE ITS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, BECUZ IF IT IS THEN ITS THE RIGHT THING YOU HAVE TO DO . . . .

THE RIGHT THING YOU MUST DO.

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

THANK YOU. . .

I WAS NAMED AFTER MY FATHER, BUT YOU CAN CALL ME WHATEVER YOU WANT.

LIKE GEORGE JACKSON, NO MATTER WHAT I'VE ALWAYS MADE THE SITUATION MORE DESPERATE THAN THE ONE I WAS ALREADY IN.

NO WAY OUT. I CALL IT NO WAY OUT BECUZ THATS WHAT I SAW. NO WAY OUT. LITERALLY. IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD. LITERALLY. AND 'NO WAY OUT' HAS BEEN MY ONLY OPTION MANY DIFFERENT TIMES IN MY LIFE. WHEN I JOINED WHAT I JOINED I HAD NO WAY OUT. WHEN I TOOK OFF ON THE POLICE I HAD NO OUT WAY OUT. WHEN I CAME INTO THE SYSTEM I HAD NO WAY OUT. WHEN I CAME INTO THE WORLD I HAD NO WAY OUT. WHEN I FOUGHT FOR MY LIFE I HAD NO WAY OUT.

AND YOU KNOW, ITS FUNNY. I SAY ITS FUNNY BECUZ ONE DAY "NO WAY OUT" BECAME MY TURNING POINT.

NO LONGER WILL "NO WAY OUT" BE MY ONLY OPTION. NO MATTER WHAT, I'LL ALWAYS HAVE A WAY OUT.

I'M NOT. . . I REFUSE TO LET A MENTALITY OR A CERTAIN WAY OF DOING THINGS - A CERTAIN WAY OF RESPONDING TO THINGS DEFINE WHO I AM OR DETERMINE MY DESTINY.

IF I WAS TO CHANGE MY NAME, I WOULD CHANGE IT TO KING. KING SOLDIER. . . BECUZ I'AM A KING AT FIGHTING. EVEN IF I LOSE THE BATTLE, I'AM A KING SOLDIER BECUZ I STILL FOUGHT. . . .

. . . THE BATTLE.

BUT I'AM NOT THE NAME. THE NAME IS ME.

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

THERE ARE MANY WARS WAGING IN TODAY'S WORLD. BUT RIGHT NOW I'LL MENTION ONLY TWO OF THEM TO YOU. LETS TALK ABOUT A WAR BY THE IMPERIALIST- OPPRESSOR NATION TO KEEP POOR AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITIES IN SEMI- COLONIAL BONDAGE, AND A WAR BETWEEN LUMPEN STREET ORGANIZATIONS WHO THE ESTABLISHMENT REFERS TO AS "REBELS" OR "GANGS"

THE POOR AND OPPRESSED NATION ON A DAILY BASIS FACE RANDOM POLICE SEARCHES, SEIZURES AND RANDOM BEAT DOWNS. THEY FACE RANDOM SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND RANDOM POLICE SHOOTING AND KILLINGS OF UNARMED TEENS AND NONE OF IT RANDOM.

THE OPPRESSED NATION KNOWS THAT THEY ARE AT WAR, SO DOES THE LUMPEN STREET ORGANIZATIONS.  
HOW COULD THEY NOT ?

BUT WHAT WE ALL MUST REALIZE IS THEY'RE NOT RESPONSIBLE. A MAN IS ONLY RESPONSIBLE OF HIS OWN ACTIONS. NOT THOSE OF ANOTHER.

WITH THIS IN MIND, WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT THE CONDITIONS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES AND NATIONS ARE A DIRECT RESULT OF THE COLONIZATION BY THOSE WHO SETTLE THIS COUNTRY.

THE LUMPEN STREET ORGANIZATIONS WAR WITH EACH OTHER MOSTLY OVER TRIBAL TERRITORY AND ECONOMIC COMPETITION. NO MATTER HOW SELF-DESTRUCTIVE THESE WARS ARE THEY STILL FALL SHORT OF OPPRESSION. SO WE KNOW THAT STREET ORGANIZATIONS DO NOT OPPRESS EACH OTHER. EITHER WAY, THEIR WARS MUST END.

JUST AS THE WAR AGAINST THE POOR AND OPPRESSED MUST END! JUST AS STATE EXECUTION MUST END.

WITH THAT SAID. . . THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING CHANGING FEDERAL LAWS THAT WOULD DECLARE GANGS AND GANG MEMBERS TO BE DOMESTIC TERRORIST.

WHY WOULD THEY CONSIDER SUCH THINGS?

WHY WOULD THEY CONSIDER TREATING A CRIP THE SAME AS A TALIBAN? OR A LATIN KING THE SAME AS A ALQUIDA? WHY?

COULD IT BE THAT THEY REALIZE THAT IF CRIPS AND BLOODS CAN BRING PEACE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES AND POLICE CAN NOT AND WILL NOT, THOSE VERY SAME COMMUNITIES DONT NEED THE POLICE?

COULD IT BE THAT IF A LATIN KING OR ANY OTHER STREET ORGANIZATION CAN SERVE AND TRULY PROTECT THEIR CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY, AND THE STATE CAN NOT AND WILL NOT, AND PEOPLE BEGIN TO REALIZE THERE IS NO NEED TO DEPEND UPON THE STATE - COULD IT BE THAT THESE STREET ORGANIZATIONS ARE THUS VIEWED AS NOT ONLY COMPETITION BUT A REAL ECONOMIC THREAT TO THE CAPITALIST GOVERNMENT?

I SAY ECONOMIC THREAT BECUZ IF THE PEOPLE REALIZES THERES NO NEED TO RELY ON THE STATE THEN THEY WILL REALIZE THERES NO NEED TO PAY TAXES. THUS THE ESTABLISHMENT WILL LOSE OUT ON ALL THOSE TAX DOLLARS. BUT COULD THESE QUESTIONS BE REAL POSSIBILITIES? MAYBE. JUST MAYBE. OR JUST YES.

AND YES, WE KNOW THAT MANY MEMBERS OF STREET ORGANIZATIONS COMMITT CRIMES BUT SO DOES POLICE OFFICERS, POLITICIANS AND NON AFFILIATED CITIZENS. ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS FOR THE CRIME THAT OCCURS IN THE U. S. IS BECUZ OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT, POOR LIVING CONDITIONS AND OVER- INCARCERATION WICH AMOUNTS TO OPPRESSION. SO LETS NOT DWELL ON THE FACT THAT STREET

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ORGANIZATIONS ARE CAPABLE OF COMMITTING  
CRIMES. BECUZ HISTORY HAS SHOWN US THAT  
ANYONE IS.

INSTEAD, LETS FOCUS ON THESE STREET  
ORGANIZATION'S POTENTIAL AND THE FACT THAT  
THEY ARE AMERICAN CITIZENS, AND THEN ASK:  
HOW CAN THEY CALL THEM TERRORIST? . . .

THANK YOU . . . THANK YOU ALL.



MUSIC. I THINK EVERYONE LOVES GOOD MUSIC,  
AND I THINK EVERYONE MAKES GOOD MUSIC.  
WHEN I SAY 'EVERYONE' I MEAN ALL RACES  
AND GENRES.

SO TELL ME WHATS SO BAD ABOUT OUR MUSIC.  
WHY DOES OUR GENRE FACE CRITICISM FROM FANS  
OF A DIFFERENT GENRE?

COULD IT BE RACIAL? COULD IT BE DIFFERENT  
STROKES? COULD IT BE ECONOMIC? OR COULD IT  
BE CULTURE CONTROL?  
MAYBE EVEN PROPAGANDA?

MAYBE ITS ALL OF THE ABOVE. BUT NO ONE  
SHOULD BE ABLE TO STOP YOUR LOVE FOR  
GOOD MUSIC, YOUR EAR FOR BEAUTIFUL  
VOICES AND SOUL-TOUCHING SOUNDS. NO ONE  
SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE YOU FEEL ASHAMED,  
EMBARRASSED OR AKWARD JUST BECUZ YOU  
LISTEN TO A CERTAIN GENRE OF MUSIC.  
I SAY PLAY MUSIC. I SAY LISTEN AND LOVE.  
OVERCOME WITH YOUR ABILITY TO LISTEN,  
CONQUOR WITH YOUR ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND,  
AND CHANGE WITH YOUR ABILITY TO FEEL...  
• • MUSIC.

THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.

WHO ARE WE? WHERE DO WE COME FROM? AND WHERE ARE WE GOING?

THEY CALL US NAMES THAT THEY WANT US TO CALL EACH OTHER. EVENTUALLY WE DID. THEY WANT US TO CALL EACH OTHER BY THESE NAMES BECUZ THEY WANT US TO FORGET WHO WE ARE AND BECOME WHAT THEY ARE.

BUT WE ARE STRONG.

WE LOOK AT EACH OTHER IN A LAND THAT DOES NOT RIGHTFULLY BELONG TO US. THEY TRICK US TO MAKE US WANNA COME HERE. THEY STOLE US AND FORCED US OVER HERE. THEY DONT WANT US TO LEAVE HERE. THATS WHY THE FEAR PROPAGANDA STARTED. TO MAKE US FEAR OUR HOMETLAND AND TRAP US HERE.

BUT WE'RE NOT FROM HERE. WE ARE ALL FROM THE MOTHERLAND.

THEY WANT US TO DIE HERE. TO SUFFER HERE. TO STRUGGLE HERE. BUT IT WILL NOT END HERE. NOT FOR US. . . . BECUZ WE ARE GOING TO THE PROMISELAND.

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.

LOOK AT THE WHOLE PICTURE NOW.

LOOK AT HOW UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT HAS DEVASTATED THE MAN IN THE URBAN COMMUNITY. LOOK AT WHAT ITS DONE TO HIS EGO. TO HIS PRIDE. TO HIS MANHOOD. HE CANT PROVIDE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE CANT EVEN PROVIDE FOR HIMSELF.

SO HE TAKES A CHANCE. HE RUNS FOR THE MONEY. HE CHASES THE MONEY. HE HUSTLES FOR FAST CASH. BUT HE LOSES THE GAME EVEN FASTER. . . THEN HE GETS INCARCERATED. . .

THEN HE EXITS THE PRISON CELL AND BAM! HE'S RIGHT BACK OUT INTO SOCIETY. HE'S OUT SO QUICK HE DIDNT EVEN HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO PUT HIS PLANS TOGETHER. THEY LET HIM OUT SO FAST BECUZ IT WAS HIS FIRST TIME. . . BUT HOW CAN HE GO STRAIGHT WITH A FELONY ON HIS JACKET? . . . HOW CAN HE GAIN EMPLOYMENT?

HE CANT EVEN MAKE MINIMUM WAGE BECUZ NO ONE WANTS TO HIRE HIM. AND WHAT ABOUT HIS KIDS. WHO WILL PROVIDE FOR THEM IF THEM THE FATHER CANT?

HOW CAN THE FATHER EVEN SHOW HIS FACE WITH NO MONEY, NO JOB?

THEN THE FATHER IS BLAMED FOR HIS ABSENCE. AND THEN THE SON PICKS UP WHERE THE FATHER LEFT OFF

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ONCE HE BECOMES OF AGE...

HE FOLLOWS IN HIS FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS  
AND COMPLETES THIS VICIOUS CYCLE  
BY DOING EXACTLY EVERYTHING THAT  
HIS FATHER DID...

IN ORDER TO PROGRESS WE MUST  
BREAK THIS VICIOUS CYCLE. WE MUST  
STOP IT FOR GOOD...

WE CAN NOT LET IT TAKE CONTROL  
OVER THE DESTINIES OF THE MEN  
OF OUR COMMUNITIES, OF OUR WORLDS.

SO RISE! WITH ME AND END THIS.  
BECAUSE ITS TIME...

THANK YOU... THANK YOU ALL.

RELIGION.

IS THERE IN EXISTENCE ANY SUBSTANTIAL  
GOVERNMENT WITHOUT AN RELIGION? . . .

A RELIGION THAT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE  
PEOPLE FOLLOWS OR AT LEAST MAKES A  
CLAIM TO? NO.

THERE'S ALWAYS A RELIGION THATS TO BE  
CONSIDERED THE PEOPLE'S RELIGION IN  
EVERY GOVERNMENT. IN EVERY COUNTRY. . . .  
IS THIS A COINCIDENCE? NO. ITS NOT. . . .

ITS A FACT THAT EVERY GOVERNMENT  
HAS A RELIGION ATTACHED TO IT. THE RELIGION  
IS PUT IN PLACE SPECIFICALLY FOR THE  
PEOPLE TO HAVE FAITH IN A BETTER LIFE  
AFTER THEIR PRESENT LIVES. . . .

AND THIS IS PSYCHOLOGICALLY SCIENTIFIC  
BECAZ IF PEOPLE HAVE A RELIGION THAT  
PROMISES A BETTER LIFE THEREAFTER,  
THEN THE PEOPLE HAVE SOMETHING  
TO HELP THEM COPE WITH POOR LIVING  
CONDITIONS AND INJUSTICE FROM  
THE GOVERNMENT.

THE RELIGION ALLOWS THEM TO  
ACCEPT IT, TO BECOME PASSIVE. . . .  
THIS IS WHY RELIGION IN ANY  
GOVERNMENT IS CHESS PERFECT  
POLITICAL GENIUS.

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RELIGION CAN BE USED AS PROPAGANDA.  
AND RELIGION CAN BE USED TO KEEP THE  
PEOPLE IN CHECK WHILE THE GOVERNMENT  
CAN RUN A MUCK.

WITH THIS IN MIND, I CHALLENGE YOU TO  
RECOGNIZE THESE FACTS. AND NEVER  
LET YOUR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS BE A REASON  
TO BECOME PASSIVE TO UNRIGHTEOUSNESS  
AND INJUSTICE.

SO STAND UP! I SAY TO YOU. . .

AND REMOVE THE VEIL FROM OVER YOUR EYES. . .

THANK YOU. . . THANK YOU ALL.