

Dreams Matter – January 14th

Dreams matter. Tomorrow's holiday honoring Martin Luther King is proof of that. On August 28, 1963, Martin Luther King Jr. delivered the iconic "I Have a Dream" speech in front of over 250,000 supporters gathered at the Lincoln Memorial. The speech was ranked the best American speech of the 20th century in a 1999 poll. One famous part of his speech is this:

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today.

While we still have a way to go to see the ultimate fulfillment of King's dream, some of us here can remember those days of segregation. In 1963, apart from perhaps Martin Luther King, few people would have ever believed that in 2008 America would elect its first African American president. That would have never happened without the dream that Martin Luther King launched on that August day in 1963.

King's dream became the vision that drove the Civil Rights Movement. His followers work to this day to see his dream and vision become fully realized. There is an old children's song that says this:

Jesus loves the little children
All the children of the world
Red and yellow, black and white
They are precious in His sight.
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Here at YOUR CHURCH NAME, our mission is to share the Good News of Jesus' love with everyone, red and yellow, black and white; they're all precious in His sight! Every time you give here, you help us fulfill the dream of reaching the next one for Jesus.

Remember, we have multiple ways in which you can give today. Thank you for your generosity!