

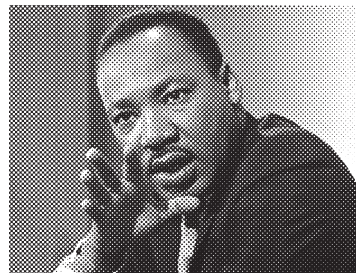
WHITE READERS

For your **COMFORT** and **SAFETY**, before reading any further, please check to make sure you're in the right place. If you are white, you are welcome here. If you are a member of the Negro race, wouldn't you be more comfortable on the other side of the page?

Welcome to the everyday reality of segregated America, circa not so long ago. If the statements above do not sit well with you, if they disgust you, perhaps it is because you've been touched by the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In the 1950s, racism—through practices such as segregation—was institutional, condoned, normal. Among many whites these practices may not have been perceived as unjust. Their grinding effect on the whole of society may not have been so apparent. Until one day we heard the voice of Dr. King.

His actions and eloquence shattered ingrained perceptions. His work shook all of us, including white America, out of our complacency and forced us to look at the ugliness of everyday racism. We began to see how it affected not just Americans of color but our whole society. He spoke to all of us. And although we were in the midst of an era that seemed to break American culture apart, perhaps



one of Dr. King's greatest legacies is the way in which he brought so many Americans together. He led a movement, and in time, an entire nation went with him. Now it is time to come together again. To remember how far we've come, and not forget how far we have left to go. Make this Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday more than just a day off. Make it a day to remember. Visit remembersegregation.org. Talk about it with friends and family. And honor a legacy that truly unites these states.

www.remembersegregation.org

COLORED READERS

For your **PROTECTION** and for the sake of **DECENCY**, if you are a person of color, please remain on this side of the page. Should you stray into an area designated for persons of the white race, your safety cannot be guaranteed. Violators will be physically removed.

Words from another time? The stinging statements above may, today, seem rather strange. Yet not long ago, institutionalized segregation was an everyday reality, disturbingly normal.

Today, many of the institutions of racism have crumbled, thanks in no small part to the leadership of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In 1955, he led a world-changing, nonviolent action: the Montgomery bus boycott. During the boycott, he was arrested, his home was bombed, and he was subjected to personal abuse—sacrifices that ultimately led to the end of forced segregation on buses.

Dr. King was building a dream. We were building it with him. The civil rights movement has often been portrayed as tearing the country apart. Yet perhaps