

The F.O.I. *Builder of men*

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There never was a time when the Black man did not exist, time did not begin until man came into being.

MAN is a word that has always been used loosely by the American Black man. It seems that Black men think that manhood is measured by the length of their beards, the grease in their hair, how tight they wear their shirts and pants and how many women they can acquire.

According to the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, this is not the yardstick used for measuring a man.

One of the first things that a person has to do to be a man in every sense of the word is to put himself in a position to be respected. Respect is something that the Black man in America has never had. Ever since he was brought over to this country, the Black man has been reduced to being lower than an animal. Some dogs are treated better than the so-called Negro. The so-called American Negro can go to the four corners of the globe and will not get any respect regardless of how much education he has.

THE SO-CALLED Negro's woman does not respect him nor does he respect her. He allows her to roam the streets at all times of night, go in and out of bars, parade around half-naked and in lots of cases allows her to become the waste receptacle for not only other Black men, but also for the white slavemaster who teaches her every kind of filthy and depraved act conceivable.

The so-called American Negro treats the slavemaster's women with the utmost respect, they lust for them and have even died for them. On the other hand, we have treated our beautiful Black women like dogs, beating and abusing them, allowing them to sell themselves to the highest bidder, usually the white man. Our women get all sorts of horrible diseases from these filthy men and bring it back to the Black men.

Black men reject the Black women when every white man is trying and in most cases is successful in seducing her. Ask yourself, if you don't want your women, why do white men chase her?

No man on earth has less control over his women than the so-called American Negroes. Even animals protect their females better than we.

BLACK WOMEN want men, not boys, not chumps, not Uncle Toms and not someone that's afraid of his own shadow. You cannot consider yourselves the heads of your families as long as you have no control over the woman.

The so-called American Negro never tried to elevate himself so that his Black woman could look up to him.

The remedy is that the Black men need someone to guide them, someone to wake them up to their potential. The Man that is quite capable of doing that is The Honorable Elijah Muhammad. It only takes one visit to one of Mr. Muhammad's Mosques and his teachings immediately begin to give backbone to those of us who have been spineless all of our lives.

The letters F.O.I. mean Fruit Of Islam; this is the name of the body of men that have begun to come back to their own. The name itself tells you that there is something great about the men. Islam is the tree and the men are the fruit that the tree bears. The men that are a part of the tree have cleaned themselves up and have stopped dabbling in filth.

An F.O.I. never disrespects a woman or, for that matter, anyone else, white or Black. He is made aware of his enemies and how to avoid them. He is shown how to get himself in excellent physical condition, considering that the average man does not know how to take care of himself.

F.O.I. teaches a man how to be independent. All of the days that the Black man has been free, he has been begging the white man for his existence. At the end of the Civil War, when the white man was glad to get rid of his slaves because he could no longer support them, the Black man did not want to leave because he was too lazy to be independent and this has been handed down from father to son—that you can always go to the white man for your needs.

The so-called Negro has been one that was always easily led. He is constantly led by the Christian preacher. Christianity only makes you

liars, thieves, and drunks because this is what the white man wants you to be.

One such preacher led many Black young men to physical harm because he taught them that they should love their enemies. He said that he had a dream of integration, the intermingling and mongrelization of our Black people. He taught passive resistance, leading his people up against bricks, fire-hoses and cattle prods, allowing our Black women to be drug down the streets to jail and subjecting them to indecent searches, beatings and rape by the white policeman. Is this a sign of a man or was his dream a nightmare? The white man is happy when Black men choose to follow the men that he picks to be leaders of Black people.

HIS DREAM should have been of Black men standing together as men, uniting to protect themselves and their families from the white slavemaster as the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is teaching.

The so-called Negro will fight harder to protect the white man's property; he will go all over the world and fight to save the slavemaster before he would raise his voice to protect his own woman. In the South, whole towns have declared holidays and had picnics to watch a lynching of a man who looked at a white woman the wrong way. There was a cowardly killing of a 15-year-old boy for allegedly whistling at a white woman, while the Black man sells his woman to these beasts.

When a man comes into Islam, he is taught how to stand tall, who the true owners of the earth are and how to be a respectable member of society. Not only is the man taught how to be civilized, his woman is also trained on how to be a better mate.

To analyze the word MAN—it means one having courage; MANFUL—means bold and brave. MANLY—means self-reliant, having nobler attributes. These are the words that signify king and this is what the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is trying to teach the Black man in America.

MR. MUHAMMAD also teaches you how to take your eyes out of the sky and stop worshipping the cross. No Black man should worship the



"UMMNN, MUST be something good" interested onlooker watches Brother Roosevelt 6X of Mosque No. 7C who makes one of 1734 sales of Muhammad Speaks during the month of December.

thing that the white man burns in order to instill fear in his "freed" slaves.

Since it is a known fact that the Black man is easily led, he then should pick a man to follow that can set an example that is above reproach, a man that knows no fear especially of the white man.

Mr. Muhammad is such a man. He has been teaching that the white man is the devil for almost forty years and is continuously teaching the history of him. He is constantly trying to wake up the American so-called Negro.

FOR A man, there is nothing more precious than independence, freedom, justice and equality.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad is the history of the awakening of the American Black man. He is the grand

master of the Black man's struggle for justice. It is impossible to describe in words what he means to all of the Black, Brown, Red and Yellow people all over the world, especially the Blacks here in America. Most Black people will not accept Mr. Muhammad as the shining light to freedom unless he gets the good housekeeping seal of approval from the white man.

The F.O.I. is the epitome of manhood, gentlemen personified and the most civilized men on the face of the earth and The Honorable Elijah Muhammad's life is a permanent lesson of heroism, a magnetic example and a stimulus for not only the American so-called Negro but for oppressed peoples all over the world.