

# Emam Muhammad calls for 'genuine patriotism'

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that form that the Civil War and President Lincoln got rid of. It was the form that we were left in, free but still left as game for any hunter in and out of season.

I'm not talking about the deep South. I'm talking about the North, Chicago. In my lifetime I've seen some horrible, horrible lynchings or killings of our people.

In Chicago a person was beat out of recognition. For what? For just walking the street of a neighborhood that was restricted for Caucasians only.

years.

And a son of that same man who got most of his education from that man and from that man's school here in Chicago has come up under him and won respect from the whole world and is in a position to give direction to the whole world.

The Emams in Azhar don't send letters to me saying "Emam, why don't you come here so that we can give you the course in such and such so that you will be qualified?" They don't send me any messages like that. If anything, they want me to come there and lecture.

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The man I'm talking about was only working there. He got off from work a little too late and they thought he was over there in the neighborhood looking for some girl or maybe expecting to live over there and they lynched him. They didn't hang him on a tree but killed him cruelly.

You might say "well that can happen right now." Maybe it can. But it can't happen like it happened back then. It might happen but I guarantee you that there would be a whole lot of forces, all colors, trying to catch that person and most likely they would be caught.

I guarantee you that if they're not caught I will organize a physical army myself and hunt them down. That's right. It's possible nowadays because the majority of the people would be on your side.

So we have lived to see a great change. We have lived to see a people change who believed religiously in white supremacy and in keeping Bilalian people, or black people down.

And look what happened to our community. We came into the belief that was just the reverse, just the other side of the coin.

We believed too that we were black and supreme, the only legitimate human beings on the earth, that the Caucasians didn't have any rights here on the planet, and were created to do nothing but torment and germ up the world.

And now the same people are just as strong in this belief of the new world as they were in that of old, some even stronger now than they ever have been. This has happened in America. A descendant from the slaves without formal education from the institutions built the Nation of Islam and kept it for forty - some

I don't get any letters from Pakistan or Egypt or Saudi Arabia saying "Emam, why don't you come and have us help you with your religion so that you will do a good job?"

They know that I haven't been to any of their colleges. They know I haven't been to their schools. They know I've only been here in America. But they hear what I say and they recognize the high wisdom. You know what they asked me once? They said "What school did you go to?"

So I said I got my teaching in Chicago under the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and from teachers who came to the community, Professor Jameel Diab, Professor Fard, and Professor Muhammad Abdullah. They said, "Who are these people?" None of them have names in the learned world. None of these people are established in the learned world of Al - Islam. So they wondered. I said I got it from studying the Qu'ran and the Bible and studying the teachings of Master Fard and studying Oriental and Western mythology...

Allah enriched me with the information from this complex, varied and multiple kind of environment that I grew up in. They understood that.

So brothers and sisters, be happy and proud that today you don't have to go to Timbuktu. You are Timbuktu and if anything people are going to come to you.

Understand that all of this has happened in the United States of America and the days of lynching are just less than 50 years behind us.

I mean that 100 years of just lynching, lynching, lynching, the Jim Crow period, is a short distance



EMAM MUHAMMAD: "If you're not willing to carry the flag, you don't have to carry it. I'll carry it."

behind us. And all of a sudden now everybody is free.

Even the homosexuals are free. The lesbians and the sissies, everybody is free. They are arguing for equal opportunity, equal employment, arguing for the right to come on the job and teach in school and identify themselves as homosexuals.

If you can't see the divine hand on this young nation — and this is a young nation, only 201 -years- old tomorrow — and all of a sudden now everything has come out in the open.

This is the beauty. This is what makes America so great now that America has survived the days that it existed as the pit of hell on this earth.

I'm telling you. America was the bottomless pit of the planet Earth. But, all of a sudden now everything has come out in the open. "Roots," look how we saw it on T.V. and look how divine this is.

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So, brothers and sisters, you might not have the courage but I want you to get the courage to put back the old

days, put them back in dead files. They are gone, this is a new day and recognize the world for what it is today. Accept it for what it is, today and appreciate it for the long, hard road it has come over and recaptured its' human form, its' human mind.

Don't you know that's a blessing, that a diabolical - minded nation that licensed slavery, that enforced slavery, the worse kind of slavery that has ever existed in the history of humanity? I'm not telling you what our books say, what Muslim books say. I'm telling you what American books say, what the Encyclopedia Britannica says, what western books say, that never in the history of slavery was there ever a slavery more cruel than the slavery of the plantation, the slavery that we came through.

But look, we are through it and the people that did it now frown upon it and they will come out with us against it, to kill it if anybody tried to bring it into existence again.

I was driving through the city of Chicago on the Northside and I saw a Caucasian man mistreating a Bilalian man. The police came and tried to break up the argument and this Caucasian man wouldn't obey the

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