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Martin Luther King Jr. Essay

In Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter from Birmingham Jail," it states, "We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny." When Dr. King refers to we in his "Letter from Birmingham Jail" he was referring to the people of the United States of America. What he believed was that people who all have the same destiny will reach their full potential, unlike others who believe that if we split and one side wins the battle, then that is a better way of solving problems.

The we Dr. King refers to is you, me, and everyone else. What Dr. King would have wanted is for all of us to be united. That is why we are the "United" States of America. Also, Dr. King refers to we specifically because while it can mean a group of people, it can also mean certain individuals inside of the "group of people". Dr. King didn't just want everyone, as a whole, to be united, but his goal was to make everyone united with one another. I think that he would be happy by how our country runs today, but as we see in our everyday lives, some things could be improved. He would be happy because people are making peace with others; not just within our country, but between the United States of America and other countries as well.

When you think about what destiny means, you think of something that is meant to be, or something that most definitely will happen. To me, destiny is something that is bound to happen; not something out of the blue, but something that is bound to happen to someone. Dr. King's message is all based around people. So, that is why I am making sure that destiny is something that happens to someone. Our destiny, (The United States' Destiny) should look like, many people who are just trying to connect with others. Obviously, we are trying to become

technologically advanced, but socially our destiny should look bright and be a place where all should be united and fix problems as a whole, instead of arguing and wasting time. As Dr. King once said, "There is nothing more tragic than to find an individual bogged down in the length of life, devoid of breadth". This means, it is terrible that there is some individuals who cannot fulfill their destiny because they're not connected or united with someone.

Dr. Martin Luther King's message in his "Letter from Birmingham Jail" is to create a world where we can avoid controversies and stay away from making people outsiders in a united country. He wanted everyone to know that if one person is directly affected by something or someone, everyone is affected indirectly, especially their loved ones. This applies to our everyday lives because if we are selfish and not open to meeting people then we will shut ourselves out from the rest of the world. Then, that selfishness will indirectly affect that person's loved ones and eventually could indirectly affect everyone.

Dr. King was a honorable person with many dreams that are slowly becoming a reality. Our world has been affected by him and that is why he is recognized in so many different ways and forms. He was a great man. He deserves all of our gratitude and he shouldn't just be recognized for being a man of belief or a man who never backed down, even if he didn't have people to support him. He also should be recognized for being a man so many should follow and a man who created a world that would never be the same without him. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was a man that wanted us to fulfil our destiny, not alone, but with others at our side.