

ABOUT THE BOOK

Hijacked! volume 1, *The Dream*, dissects Dr. King's dream and explores how not adhering to its principles has perpetuated the ills of our nation and produced the nightmare that now exists in America. Such a decline is heartbreaking when you consider that fifty-seven years ago Dr. King's dream clearly defined the goals that must be achieved and the methods that must be employed to fix what is wrong with America.

Today, America can be depicted as a waning great person who is standing on the edge of a tall building at the top of the world, looking around in deep contemplation—not knowing exactly what to do next. If the winds of change blow too hard and the wavering great person loses her focus, she will plunge to her death, her greatness never to be regained again. The racial division, riots, devastating social and spiritual condition, the extremely scary political instability of our government, and the forever increasing national debt are evidence of the nightmare caused by the hijack of Dr. King's dream.

What this means is that Dr. King's dream must become a reality in America—soon! In the first volume of the *Hijacked!* collection, *The Dream*, the author clarifies the principles for social justice and freedom for all Americans that Dr. King delineated in his monumental speech. God gave Dr. Martin Luther King a road map for America to follow in his "I Have a Dream" speech and his numerous other orations and writings.

But, in order to apply the principles of the dream effectively and make it a reality, one must understand:

- 1) the goals and methods of the dream;
- 2) the methods employed in the hijack of the dream;
- 3) the devastating nightmarish consequences produced by the hijack; and
- 4) the revival, government reformation strategy, and reformation of other institutions that must be executed to accomplish the recovery from the nightmarish times in which we are living.

For the full dissection of Dr. King's dream and how our failure to adhere to its principles has led to a nightmare, explore the other volumes in *Hijacked!: How Dr. King's Dream Became a Nightmare*. Other volumes in this series focus on the hijack itself, the nightmare, and how we can recover.

The author was motivated to write *Hijacked!* volume 1, *The Dream*, because there seems to be a lack of knowledge about the real problems in America that caused the existing nightmare. This is particularly true for what the author sees happening in low-income Black communities in his home town, Chicago, as well as in St. Louis, Baltimore, Detroit, Oakland, Los Angeles, and other cities governed by leftists and progressives.

Only a relatively few people are willing to speak out and truthfully address the underlying social and spiritual dysfunctions that are producing the racial problems and cultural and economic disparities that exist in America. Churches are plentiful. Christian activist groups are plentiful. Social activist groups are plentiful. Laws passed to address the problems are plentiful. Social programs instituted in the name of Dr. Martin Luther King to make his dream a reality in America are plentiful. However, the social and spiritual dysfunctions and their resulting disparities still exists.

So *Hijacked!* volume 1, *The Dream*, was written to clarify the principles for social justice and freedom for all Americans that Dr. King delineated in his dream. This explains the great struggle that exists in making Dr. King's dream a reality in America. The reason why a good knowledge of all aspects of Dr. King's dream is necessary is because the issues surrounding the execution of the hijack and the nightmare it produced are sometimes complicated, convoluted, and purposely concealed. A comprehensive understanding of the dream, the hijack methods, the nightmare, and the recovery process is required to detect the complex schemes employed to hijack the dream so that it can become and remain a constant reality. There are many formidable idealistic leftist and progressive political forces in America with deep

pockets and unimaginable influence. They are hard at work to destroy the American way of living from within and make America's status as an exceptional nation a thing of the past. So in a nutshell, what is the basic reason why Dr. King's dream is so important to people of all colors and the survival of the God-given American dream?

Well, the best way the author answers this most significant question is through a simple insight provided by Dr. King. It was given to a crowd of about 1,500 people on the evening of July 28, 1960, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. People squeezed into the First Baptist Church of North Tulsa to hear a thirty-one-year-old pastor who was changing America. One of the topics that Dr. King spoke on that evening was titled "On the Need for Unity." And one of the things he said on the importance of unity has been proclaimed around the globe.

More importantly, what he said is most significant in describing the importance of his dream to the people of America. Dr. King said on the importance of unity that summer evening in Tulsa that America was at the crossroads of life and death. He said that we had to make the choice to love one another and live together as brothers and sisters or to hate one another like the fools that we had been in the past and die. Love and live together, or hate and die together!