



# **"The Valley of Jehoshaphat"**

Supreme Wisdom, Valley, Congress, United Nations

## **INTRODUCTION:**

This paper explores the metaphor of the "Valley of Jehoshaphat" as a representation of the United Nations, using the logic of The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad's "Supreme Wisdom" lessons to argue that the struggle for reparations and justice for Black people in America should be elevated from a domestic issue to an international one, urging a collective and strategic movement towards global recognition and support for the plight and rights of so-called African Americans.

## **LESSONS IN GRAMMAR**

The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the deceased leader of The Lost Found Nation of Islam, peace be upon him, received from his Teacher, Master Fard Muhammad, To Whom all praises are forever due, a series of lessons in 1934, captured under the title "Supreme Wisdom".

Also, for the purposes of this paper attention will be drawn to the title of an included lesson, English Lesson Number C 1, and highlight a statement out of which the instructions came to the student and laborers that they;

"Must speak and use grammatic pronunciation of words and syllables in past, future, present and perfect tense. The laborer's answer to all lessons must be in the above Language..."<sup>1</sup>

Noting the part of the quote "in the above Language", seems clear that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, does not mean language in the sense of one learning to speak French, Arabic, or Wolof, etc. But rather one understanding the expression of thoughts, feelings, conventional symbols, and punctuation, tools utilized within languages and using such symbols in past, future, and present perfect tense - for example in English. To this

---

<sup>1</sup> Supreme Wisdom: INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO THE LABORERS #3



point we believe is why the “Supreme Wisdom” included in the package the lesson, at least in name, titled, English Lesson Number C-1.<sup>2</sup> Which also underlies the Coming, and purpose of its Author.

Another thing we took notice of and thought unusual is his phraseology "past, future, present and perfect tense". It's usually spoken "past, present, and future". Here, in our view adding in "present perfect tense" was further proof that we may be on to something here. As you know in grammar “present perfect tense” is the verb form used to describe actions or states that have recently happened, or that started in the past and continue to the present. At any rate, our inspiration was gleaned from the above lessons. Being inspired by such aided our understanding drawing us to the conclusions in our paper.

Let us mention here that reparations to be received for the injuries and suffering of black people in America, was layered as a main part of The Honorable Elijah Muhammad's, message on our collective behalf, assigned on the back of every Muhammad Speaks Newspaper. And, also MTTBM, page 161, point #4, which in part lays remedies to the race problem in America, which justifies all demands made there.

However, the forum or place that we are to fight for our cause and salvation, most likely would be or should be in the United Nations. Whereas in today's times Nations large and small gather in discussions, debates, and problem solving. Why would we not want to be a part of such body of Nations, forthrightly if our desire is to become an independent nation ourselves?

Should we, as a people of servitude, under the most brutal regime ever on Earth, step onto the world's stage of Nations, and do battle there with them for our freedom and restitution? Where else could we go, Congress?

While, the American Congress, does have different racial representatives present in chamber. Their main responsibility and allegiance are with, and for America. Which is why we believe a bill to study the "effects of slavery"

---

<sup>2</sup> Supreme Wisdom: See English Lesson Number C-1



upon so called African Americans, domestically has not reached either floor in Congress.

On the other hand, it's not an idea to be rejected altogether because Messenger Elijah Muhammad's, instruction was to, "Put Muslim Program to Congress".<sup>3</sup> Interestingly, a UN Ambassador or state representative is nominated by a president. As a part of Congress, its then given over to the Senate, the task of approving the president's choice.

Thus, in as much as one who goes before the UN, arguing the issues of mistreatment and human rights violations against a State, who ultimately seeks recognition, remedy, separation, and reparation, would not that one, also be putting the Muslim program to Congress, by alerting the American Government, of an existing problem within its borders on the world's stage? Think over that!

Then we would have to agree that, Messenger Elijah Muhammad, by appearance did implicate the way that we should go. In the above are thoughts and questions that our people and readers should consider, contemplate and determine, along with other questions we raise in this paper.

### **"YO NAME IS TOBY"**

Primarily our American experience has been kept or contained as a domestic issue here in this country by the American government. We mention here, The Emancipation Proclamation, that was sold to us as "freedom" to do as we please and enjoy the fruits of this country. However, when you think about it, all they really have done, rather than having a multitude of plantations, (they've only expanded plantation life over the whole of America). And in the process, constructed programs like Jim Crow laws, and other discrimination policies to keep us in check.

In spite of it though, when leaving us alone our energy to build out a path of success never waned in us. We wanted the best as others did. And, yearned for a better life. We, literally, cut roads where there was none, and

---

<sup>3</sup> Message to The Black Man in America, page 172.



carved out the comforts of life, food, shelter, clothing, schools and businesses for ourselves.

Yet, every time we moved ahead the hatred, disdain and despising nature of white Anglo Saxons rears its ugly head, as in the destruction of Black Wall Street, etc. We, know the histories as they know it. While, they at the same time are seeking to erase it. Black Wall Street is just one example. And, guess what! They are still doing it today, as we speak. Although, stolen, we just can't win in another man's house.

Through our experiences here, like a bouncing ball, has led to a series of identity changes - from darky's; to monkey's; to animals; to jigger; to jigaboo; to nigger; to niggas; to colored; to black Americans; to African Americans; to the latest being people of color, whatever that means. In all these constant identity changes, it is they, the Anglo Saxons of America, who decided how or by what names or identity we should be called. Today, we live in the shadow of the white Anglo Saxons of America, who call all the shots and decisions, which heaped upon us grave consequences.

In the United Nations, where all of the world's nations and peoples gather, 'Minorities' are those who are related to smaller groups of people, not having land, or having land and not huge in number. Yet they retain all of their cultural traits, customs, and linguistic ties. It is there in the UN, where issues between nations are brought, fought, and settled.

Unlike, our status as a 'minority' in this country, it is not defined in the same way. Our status as a 'minority' is according to America's (position) they have placed us (within) their society. This, is what your brother Silis Muhammad, learned while seeking remedy and redress in the United Nations, and therefore the U.N, had no place carved out for us.<sup>4</sup> That we were “submerged” in America's domestic identity to be done with as they please. Think over that – a people numbering upwards of 40 million souls had no recognized identity on the world's stage with which people, including white people could or would recognize. having more control over us, then our God?<sup>5</sup>

---

<sup>4</sup> Muhammad Speaks “Why We Went to the UN”

<sup>5</sup> Muhammad Speaks “Submerged”



Within their society we were stripped of all civil connections to our customs, culture, family ties, and most importantly our mother's languages, unrecognized on the world's stage. This is referred to as civil death, or murdering the civilization in a people.

It's one thing to sever a man of his arm, where he still has one to work with. But to sever a people of their mother's language damages them permanently, leaving them unable to communicate with their family ties. They wouldn't even know where they belong in this world. Sure, an extensive loss of life is one thing in the case of the European Jews. But there is simply nothing on Earth more holocaustic, then killing the civilization in a people. This is terrible!

Thus, having been severed from all familial ties, customs, culture and our mother's languages, all being erased, by European Americans, have rendered us "lost" and "orphaned" from our original ties, and having no place in the world.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, peace be upon him, taught us that our cause and position, will one day become universal and ultimately gain us a place among our people, with friendships in all walks of life. Which should be aspirational to our people, and a blessing to generations to come.

To you then my people how can we obtain this universal change and positioning, but that we step out beyond the borders of American dictates and onto the world's stage?

In his book, 'Message to The Black Man in America', Messenger Elijah Muhammad, writes that;

"The (day) of decision between the dark races or nations (was begun) by God Himself in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom praise are due forever, as is prophesied in the Bible:



"Multitudes in the valley of decision, for the day [before or by 1970] of the Lord is near in the valley of decision" (Joel 3:14)."  
MTTBM, 267, 268.<sup>6</sup>

Dear reader it's important here to take note that Messenger Elijah Muhammad, is using writing symbols, such as quotation marks, parentheses, and brackets. Take a look and see he's used brackets inserting [before or by 1970] into the biblical verse in the book of Joel.

In the above quote, he makes clear that: "The day of decision (was begun) by God Himself". The verb "was" places us into the realm of factuality, with respect to its start and beginning. It's directed to us. Here it appears that The Last Messenger, is pointing out to us, that other darker nations of our own kind would lend a hand, or take part in helping our return and redemption of bringing us back among our own kin. Would you agree?

Returning to The Honorable Elijah Muhammad's, book Message to The Black Man, page 127, during his lifetime, in the progression of our birth or resurrection as some say, he writes that we "are not ready to be delivered", then ending his sentencing in parentheses with "(go to their own)".<sup>7</sup>

Parentheses are used in writing for various reasons. One, being to include ADDITIONAL INFORMATION to prevent disruption or continuation in the flow of thought of the writer. THATS IMPORTANT!<sup>8</sup>

That said, then we can only conclude that our "birth" which he classifies in the story of "The Woman, in Rev 12:4", concerns our birth of the idea in us of becoming a nation again, and returning to our own. This is clear!

## **SO, THIS IS WHERE WE ARE**

According to what we read and understand in the teachings of the Last Messenger, peace be upon him, over 6000 years ago, our Forefathers,

---

<sup>6</sup> Message To the Black Man in America, page 267, 268

<sup>7</sup> Message To the Black Man in America, last paragraph, page 127

<sup>8</sup> See [https://www.dictionary.com/browse/parentheses#google\\_vignette](https://www.dictionary.com/browse/parentheses#google_vignette)



wrote that a man would make a contrary people and world out of us and that they would be allowed to rule for 6000 years.

Question: Are we to read or understand this place or valley, where the decisions to be made "between the dark nations", is in an actual valley somewhere on this Earth? If so, where? Or does he give a clue or hint that the "valley of decision" is another place and not an actual valley?

A valley is defined as an elongated low area often running between hills or mountains, which typically contains a river or running stream.

Question: Is it proper in 2024, to assume that darker nations, would gather together in the (well of an actual valley) to discuss our return and redemption? If the expectation of the gathering and meeting of these darker nations, is to be in planning and discussing our return. Then how would they discuss and plan together, without amplification? How would or could they hear each other?

Would 46 million, of us be called into a valley as such? What, if it rains, can a valley, appropriately provide cover for multitudes of people? What if a person, man or woman, needed to relieve themselves, where would they go in a crowded valley to do such?

Then our common sense should tell us that "The Valley of Jehoshaphat", evidently must refer to a place, appropriately providing material accommodations for a large gathering of people to discuss and plan in unison.

Returning to the 2nd paragraph, page 268, using scripture again, The Messenger, writes:

"The second and third verses of this chapter (Chapter 3) reads like this: "I will also gather all nations and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat [Europe and Asia -- between black and white] and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage [the lost and found, so called Negroes], Israel whom they have scattered among





the nations and parted my land [between the European white race] and they have casted lots for my people and given a boy for a harlot and sold a girl for wine that they may drink" (Joel 3:2, 3).

America has fulfilled this to the very letter and spirit with her slaves (the so-called Negroes) under the type of Israel".

Now after reading his direct and descriptive words above. Take note of Messenger Elijah Muhammad's, using brackets enclosing certain words, within the Biblical book of Joel.

Brackets are used a little different than parentheses. Brackets are used mainly in quotations to add EXTRA INFORMATION that wasn't in the original quote.<sup>9</sup> Which is important for you to understand – His use of brackets and the additions he places within the brackets he added himself, as interpretation into the original quotes of the Bible, Joel 3:2-3.

Now taking in consideration all things within the totality of his quotes. What place does it sound like he's describing to you, in the real world of today?

An actual "valley" on the side of a hill, where darker nations will be gathered, as well as European and Asian, as he includes in the biblical verses of Joel? A place between Europe and Asia? All, out war? Or, is he describing a place where all the world's nations gather, meet, and discuss, in a body politics, which include Darker people, Europeans, and Asians? Does such a place exist today?

Folks we live in a modern world, where one must use common sense. And, that's all you're asked to do - to use your common sense. Because that's all The Last Messenger, did... use common sense past, future, present and perfect tense.

Thus, those of us who are students of Messenger Elijah Muhammad's teachings, and those of you GREAT GIANTS of the movement, who have sacrificed and labored for years, fighting for the cause of freedom, justice,

---

<sup>9</sup> See <https://www.thesaurus.com/e/grammar/square-brackets/>





equality, and for the salvation of our people, every day in this country. With all we know of our collective past, future, and present. For, the Honorable Silis Muhammad, our Illustrious pioneer leader today, in freedom's fight, said, "Death in the cause of Truth, is naught but victory of self, while in life over the living dead!" Here, we must acknowledge that Brother Silis Muhammad, along with his dedicated supporters have taken the step out unto the world's stage, and have mounted up a battle of justice, for our people there.

His battle is for you to have freedom, self-determination, and a meaningful place on this Earth, that we can call our own. That said. Today, it is of the utmost importance that we all unite, for the good of the whole, and stand together as a solid wall without fear of want, or death.

In closing, The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, is quoted as saying, "I'm like the traffic officer, trying to direct you into the right path, or lane, or road". And, even though he has deceased us, it is exactly what he's doing – in his message to us all is providing us direction and guidance. Dear people, we're in the day of decision, and we must decide for ourselves which way we should, or must go.

We hope you get as much delight out of reading this short piece, as we did in writing it. We're in complete awe of all of you who fight and battle on the side of black people, on whatever level, for freedom, justice and equality. However, we would simply be careless, if we did not acknowledge that great man who once lived among us, and that is The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, peace be to upon him. He, sleeps with the Ancestors. And, in our opinion NO MAN, loved us more.