

B L A C K    A N K H

"Help Us, Help Us !"

Part One

A VIABLE AND PRACTICAL PLAN

"You watch. I will be labeled as, at best an 'irresponsible' black man. I have always felt about this accusation that the black 'leader' whom white men consider to be 'responsible' is invariably the black 'leader' who NEVER GETS ANY RESULTS. You only get action as a black man if you are regarded by the white man as 'irresponsible.' In fact, this much I had learned when I was just a little boy. And since I have been some kind of a 'leader' of black people here in this RACIST SOCIETY of AMERICA, I have been more reassured each time the white man resisted me, or attacked me, harder--because each time made me more certain that I WAS ON THE RIGHT TRACK in the American black man's best interests. The racist white man's opposition automatically made me know that I DID OFFER THE BLACK MAN SOMETHING WORTHWHILE."

-Malcolm X  
(The Autobiography of Malcolm X)

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