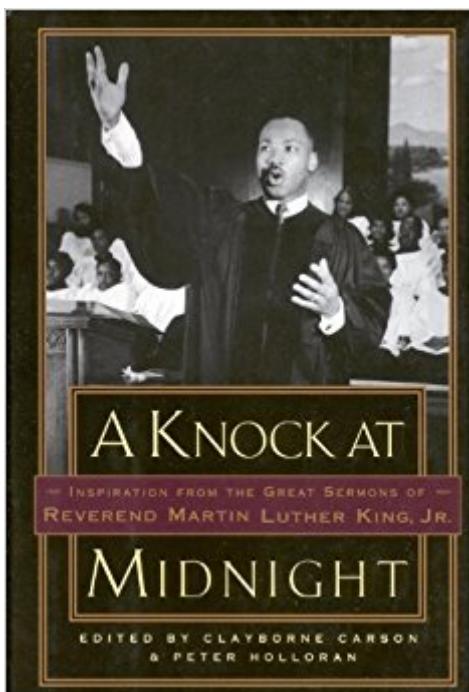


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# A Knock At Midnight: Inspiration From The Great Sermons Of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.



## **Synopsis**

Warner Books, in conjunction with Intellectual Properties Management, Inc., presents an extraordinary collection of sermons by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.-many never before published-along with introductions and documentary of the world's leading ministers & theologians.

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## **Customer Reviews**

These 11 historic sermons--some complete recordings of entire addresses, others reconstructed from various church services--make plain why Martin Luther King Jr. considered his "first calling and greatest commitment" to be a preacher of the gospel. As an orator he is second to none, drawing his audience in with an urgency that resonates through every soaring cadence of his familiar, powerful voice. Using insights from psychology, philosophy, and the Bible, he appeals to the heads as well as the hearts of his congregations, explaining that personal and social change can only be effected by adopting a morality of love in service of God and humankind. While King's concern for social justice is a common theme throughout, each sermon is a jewel of literary artistry, as it presents a simple problem, examines its complications, and offers a startling and often challenging resolution. Topics range from "Rediscovering Lost Values," a caution that scientific progress without moral progress can result only in a step backward for humanity, to "An American Dream," a wake-up call to the "self-evident truth" of equality proclaimed in the Constitution. Brief introductions to the sermons from spiritual leaders and friends, including Dr. Joan Campbell, Billy Graham, Dr. Robert Franklin, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, offer personal insights into King's life, work, and

legacy. An interesting note from the producers explains how the recordings of the sermons (published in a hardcover companion of the same name) were pieced together. In word and in voice, these are masterpieces of theological literature from one of the world's great orators, who Robert Franklin rightly says may well be "the greatest religious intellectual of the twentieth century." (Running time: 8 hours, 6 cassettes) --Uma Kukathas --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The King family and Time Warner have collaborated on this selection of memorable sermons by King, from "Why Jesus Called a Man a Fool" to "Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution." Each sermon has its own introduction, with the Rev. Billy Graham and Nobel Prize winner Desmond Tutu among the contributors. (An audio version is also available.)Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

When I read these words, We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. As subjects of this mandate, not as black, white, brown or red, not as colors yet as ordinary people. We have trusted authorities as we toiled and built our wonderful country to do the labor of law; somewhere in that endeavor the truth has been mislaid and greed had it's say, now what a mess we have allowed to be made. Daily I listen to the eloquent words of Dr. King from eight inspiring cd's that if you listen with ears and a heart of forgiveness and a true desire to understand , and become a part of the solution, there is a lesson to be learned.

Wow! I was born around the time of his death and sadly did not see or hear much about this great American growing up. Then there was a holiday. Then a few more breakthroughs in history with regards to American race relations. Because of the magic of technology this recorded collection puts you right there sitting in the pews up front at the church where this great man preached only the truth. Today you wonder where have our great heroes all gone.The collection of the sermons was truly uplifting and deeply inspirational even 40+ years since his death - still TIMELY! A tear fell from my eye with everyother sermon. The discussions about his sermons were mostly weak, but I didn't mind. Some of the recordings had imperfections and gaps, but I didn't mind.Finally I was saddened by the hate that took his life and robbed us of one of our true American heroes who really fought for all of us. Where would this world be today if we had a fearless voice for the people like him still willing to confront hatred at every turn like Mister Doctor Martin Luther King Junior did? I'm

sending copies to intelligent, thoughtful people I know who will appreciate his powerful message. I am now looking to read more about his life so I can only try to understand and better appreciate what he meant to America; then, today, and in the distant future.

Great service and a must read for everyone.

Delivery: Very fast!The Book itself: It amazes me that Dr. King delivered these sermons in the 50's and 60's but yet the content is some timely. His premise is still one that is taught by many today. My respect for Dr. King continues to grow the more I read his literature.

The books are in great quality and they came when to be expected.

Rev. King;s efforts to bring justice to our culture were truly epic. Like all prophets, he was murdered in the end. His sermons are powerful, bringing God's words in a way that all can appreciate. This book will be donated to Morrison-Reeves Library in Richmond, IN. When I researched King in their collection I found that the books were old, out of date, and minimal. Rev, King deserves better. Service, as usual with , was very good.

Fantastic book... meets my expectations. If one is looking for biblical scripture interpretation in a plain spoken yet deeply meaningful manner, this is the book for you.

Fantastic, inspirational read. Spiritual things are timeless and it is a unique "in his own hand" insight into the genius and humanity of the man who transcends the "sound bite" journalistic style we were all fed. Highly recommended.

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