



READING LIST

1. [The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr. by Martin Luther King, Jr.](#)
First-person account of the extraordinary life of America's greatest civil rights leader.
2. [Death of a King: The Real Story of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Final Year by Tavis Smiley](#)
A revealing and dramatic chronicle of the twelve months leading up to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination.
3. [King: Pilgrimage to the Mountaintop by Harvard Sitkoff](#)
Might Martin Luther King, Jr.'s greatest accomplishments have been ahead of him?

ARTICLES

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1. [From Selma to Ferguson | Smithsonian, Jan 2015, Vol. 45 Issue 9, p29-82.](#)
Perspectives on King's life and work from U.S. author and historian Taylor Branch.
2. [King's Last March | Time, 4/19/1968, Vol. 91 Issue 16, p20.](#)
Discusses Martin Luther King's funeral in Atlanta, Georgia. It mentions that the Academy Awards and baseball's major leagues were postponed so that African Americans could attend the funeral.

REMEMBERING

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal." I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today! I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of "interposition" and "nullification" -- one day right there in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today! I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, and every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight; "and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together." This is our hope, and this is the faith that I go back to the South with.

—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "I Have a Dream" Speech

PODCAST PLAYLIST

1. [King's Last March | American Radio Works](#)
In depth radio documentary on the last year of Martin Luther King Jr.'s life.
2. [Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.—A Documentary from 1962](#)
A documentary from 1962 about Martin Luther King Jr. It presents a compelling portrait of a young Baptist preacher who was determined to change the world through non-violent tactics. This is the first of six programs that reflect on Dr. King's legacy.
3. [To Heal a Sick Nation | Re:sound Episode #202](#)
A revealing snapshot of Martin Luther King, Jr. as he struggled to stay the course he'd set out for himself and the nation.

VIDEO CLIPS

[I have a Dream Speech](#)



[The Death of Dr. Martin Luther King](#)

