

# The Truth Versus Minister Louis Farrakhan

When do words become threatening? They can only become threatening when they bring about an activity. Words in and of themselves are worth nothing. It is when the word is made manifest that something or someone is or could be threatened. So what has Minister Louis Farrakhan done that is so threatening to the powers of the world specifically the Jews and the American government? It appears that the mere fact that he is speaking on many issues that the government does not want to talk about makes him controversial. On top of that, he speaks with an authority unheard of among black leaders in America with the notable exceptions of Marcus Garvey, Noble Drew Ali, Malcolm X and the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Farrakhan's teacher. What must also be very seriously considered in the course of this article and definitely in the mind of the reader is the fact that this man known as Farrakhan has been pulling in people, particularly black people, by the tens of thousands to come and hear him speak. Minister Louis Farrakhan Muhammad is the national spokesman for the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Nation of Islam. Minister Farrakhan has been working in the black community for over 30 years. In fact, the largest gathering of black people ever in the history of America, approximately 70,000 to 75,000, came to Randall's Island, NY, to hear him speak at a Black Family Day celebration in 1974. So he is, without a doubt,

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a very well known man. The press has now made it appear as though he just came on the scene. As Farrakhan mentioned in New York City, the press is behaving just like Columbus in their discovery of something or someone that had been there all along. Now what is it that is so controversial about Farrakhan? This question must be asked because whether you are for or against Farrakhan, he has indeed become the litmus test for all black leaders and indeed black people as to whose side you are on. What are the major positions that Farrakhan is taking? Let us examine his positions and do so as unemotionally as possible.

He believes that the black people of America, 30-40 million by his estimates, are the only people that fulfill the scriptural references given to the so-called "chosen nation of God" (Gen. 15:13-15) who are called Israel in the Old Testament. Now, this appears to be an extremely hot issue in some circles. Understandably so. However, this issue should not affect, for the most part, anyone who is not a believer in the Bible or other scriptures. On the other hand, if one is a believer in God, his prophets and his scriptures, then you must ask yourself is he right or is he wrong? If you disagree with him, and you are entitled to do so, can he



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be proved wrong? Although there are 800,000 Jews who agree with him in his saying that the nation of Israel in the Middle East is not the fulfillment of the aforementioned prophecy, many others, the Zionists in particular, have a problem with this position. They have a problem with this since they have declared to the world for some time now that they are that chosen nation referred to in the scripture as the seed of Abraham. Well, the solution to this controversy is quite simple. Just find out who fits the description in the prophecy and fulfills all of the requirements as the scriptures state. This is a job for the scholars of religion, not for a writer like myself.

In any case, a major question that must be asked is why haven't they accused him of lying? I

have never once heard or read where the government or its machinery has accused Farrakhan, his teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad or even his predecessor, Malcolm X of telling lies. In fact, Elijah Muhammad has stated publicly many times that if you find him telling a lie that he will pay you \$100 to \$10,000 out of his brother's vest pocket and will pay with his life for lying. His student has made the same bold statement. Now, why haven't their critics challenged them instead of just making the many accusations that they have made. He has been called a racist, a Hitler, a bigot, a con man, devious and he's even been called a devil. Let us see if the authorities and their agents in the press are justified in their view of him.

Farrakhan and his teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad teach that the white man is the devil of your scriptures. Now a lot of people would definitely call that a racist or "hate" teaching but the July 15, 1985 issue of U.S. News & World Report has a cover story entitled, "How The World Views America." On this cover, they have a picture of Uncle Sam with one side of his face shown as a benevolent Caucasian and on the other side he is shown as a red devil with tail and all. Now apparently, the government, the

press, the learned and the unlearned masses in America, are examining this view of America by a large portion of the world. Many writers and social scientists are now examining this defect in the history of Caucasian people. Now what must be noted here that in the course of his teaching this view, he has never advocated killing whites, robbing whites, breaking their laws without just cause, or any other known social evil. Although many Jews are calling, publicly, for his death.

There are a great many other beliefs that Minister Farrakhan and those who support him have. Most of them are mentioned in the Muslim program as presented by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. However, one major point that Farrakhan addresses is that black people need to unite and do something for themselves. He says that the government of America cannot take care of black people even if they were inclined to do so because of their economic condition. In view of the political and economic realities in America, this issue must be addressed. The conservative turn in the government and their priorities make it necessary for blacks in America to do something of this nature. To this end, Farrakhan has gotten support from a number of very well known manufacturers.

If the government won't allow blacks the opportunity to be free here in America, should we, as Farrakhan also suggests, separate from them?

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