



Simon of Cyrene - The Musical

The Black man Who Helped Jesus Carry His Cross

A message of Hope and Optimism for Black People

A wonderful and exhilarating evening of Music await you as the story of Simon of Cyrene unfolds .It is a story deeply woven into the fabric of the Passion of our Lord.

Simon of Cyrene was a black man (African from Cyrene) that the Gospels reference in three scripture. This is Luke's account:

When they led Him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, coming in from the country, and placed on him the cross to carry behind Jesus.

Luke 23:26

Simon of Cyrene-The Musical was performed in Dallas in April 2022. A professional Video production was created and is now available to be viewed by other audiences.

There is a peculiar correlation of what happened to Simon and what is happening to many black people today. Simon's situation has been repeated countless times by Simon's descendants- especially black males. However, Simon's response to "his situation" is illustrative of how we might help black people think about and deal with their situations today. "Choices are the hinge of destiny" says one great philosopher.

Simon's lessons are about choices. These lessons from Simon have been configured in this musical drama that our team has created to help counteract some of the negative perceptions and nihilistic tendencies(Cornell West) so prevalent in the lives of black males today. Some of those lessons reflected in songs in our Musical include:

- Brother Man in the Holy Land
- Why Me
- Let it Be
- Stay Woke
- I Am Not the Same
- What Others Meant for Harm
- Sundays' A Coming

This Simon of Cyrene production is an exciting 1.29 hour performance that describes the dramatic encounter of Jesus and Simon in Jerusalem on the day we call "Holy Friday". Simon, a Black African, walks with the Son of God . The memory of that day is celebrated in music grafted from the Black Christian ,Gospel ,Spiritual tradition that speaks to the enduring struggles of Black and people of color around the world.