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To whom it may concern:

Dear Sir:

This is an expression of my feeling of the trouble you are having throughout the nation, in which you are placing the blame on some leader of some group, making yourselves innocent of this great transgression. But, the way I see it, you that are sitting on the judgement seats and running the states are to blame for these race riots and political disturbances.

When I look back on the dark pages of history, and see how that men of your race have entered jails, taking out negroes, beating them, hanging them, dragging them through the streets behind automobiles, and shooting them down like dogs, and burying them deep in the marsh, under dams, while you that are supposed to administer the law sit idly by and doing nothing about it, then, it is you who are to blame, and not Mr. Carmichael. But, to cover up for yourselves and the dirt that you people have swept under the rug for years, you'll always get some outstanding negro, who will stand up for his rights and try to liberate his people; you will take this man and try to impose punishment upon him. But, let me warn you, you will not get away with this. You may be able to take a man, put him in prison, and keep him locked up for years, but you cannot stop the storms of God. They will come and destroy you by the thousands and you will not be able to do anything about it. Bear in mind, it is written: "As a man soweth, so shall he also reap." So, you have sown corruption and you are going to reap the same. There is no "maybe so" about it, no getting around it. You're going to reap what you sow.

I am a minister of Christ, not of men; therefore, I speak freely the things that are right and are true. I don't believe in violence, neither do I intend to get involved with the political affairs of this life, but, know ye this thing, that you have imposed slavery, hardships, suffering, and much afflictions upon the so-called negro man for approximately two hundred years. When you broke jail and took him out, and hung him, without giving him a trial, you were taking away his constitutional rights; these great crimes have gone unpunished for approximately two hundred years, and you blame Mr. Carmichael for

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rioting, for a riot in Georgia. Let me say unto you law-makers, enforcers of the law, and judges that are sitting on the judgment seats, you have better examine yourselves and see now, aren't you the blame.

My people have served your children, have nursed them, and cared for them, and I'm sure some black hand has cared for you. They have even cooked your food and washed your clothing, and you have even raped my women and caused them to bear children for you. When the child is born, he comes here innocent, but, because he is born in the dark race, even though a white man's his father, he has to suffer the same way.

Wake up and stop being a fool. It is God that made Man, and not Man, himself. We are made after the likeness of God, therefore, regardless to the complexion or the color of the skin, a man is still a man and that's all he is.

"And Adam called his wife's name Eve because she was the mother of all living." Genesis 3:20

When you read this letter, I hope you will understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men as it is now revealed to His holy prophets and apostles by the Spirit.

Looking to hear from you soon.

I remain a contender for the
faith which was once delivered
unto the Saints,

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