Beyond The Glass Ceiling

Feminism as Emancipatory Project for Us All

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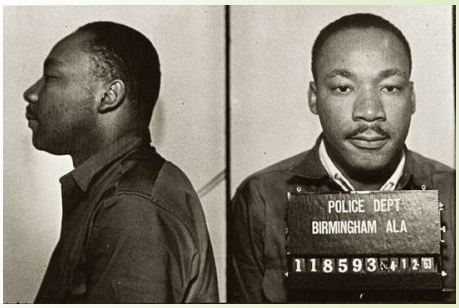
- "We had no alternative except that of preparing for direct action, **whereby we would present our very bodies** as a means of laying our case before *the conscience* of the *local* and *national community*."



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- "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." – Dr Martin Luther King Jr



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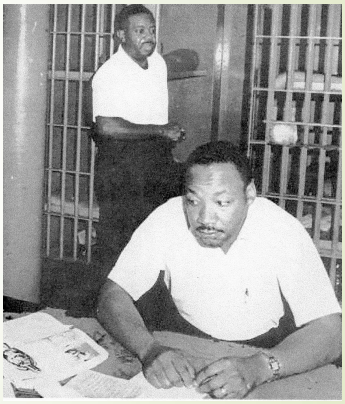
- "If we are to have peace on earth, our loyalties must become ecumenical rather than sectional. Our loyalties must transcend our race, tour tribe, our class, and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective." - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr



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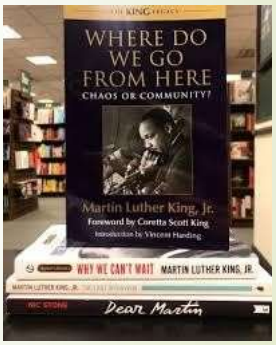
- "We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality – tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever effects one directly, effects all indirectly." – Dr Martin Luther King Jr



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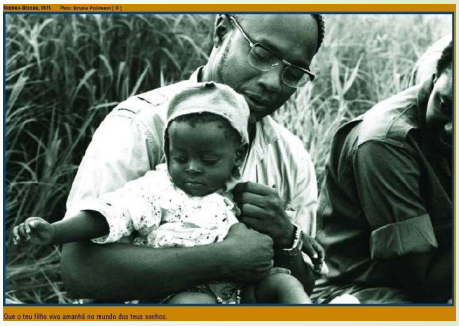
- "Education must enable one to sift and weigh evidence, to discern the true from the false, the real from the unreal, and the facts from the fiction." – Dr Martin Luther King Jr



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Self-Criticism

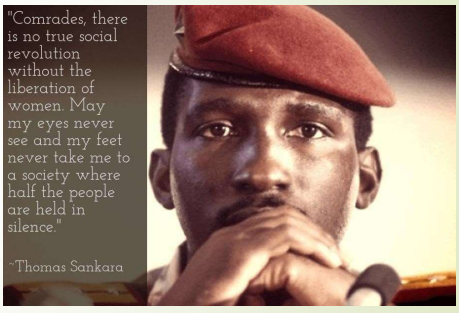
- "When an individual does not become conscious of their inner contradictions, the world acts out the conflict and is torn in opposite halves." – C.G. Jung



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: What is activism with out activities and action?

- "We have no need of a feminized apparatus to bureaucratically manage women's lives or to issue sporadic statements about women's lives by smooth=talking functionaries. What we need are women who will fight because they know that without a fight the old order will not be destroyed and no new order will be built. We are not looking to organize what exists but to definitively destroy and replace it." – Thomas Sankara



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Unity and Struggle

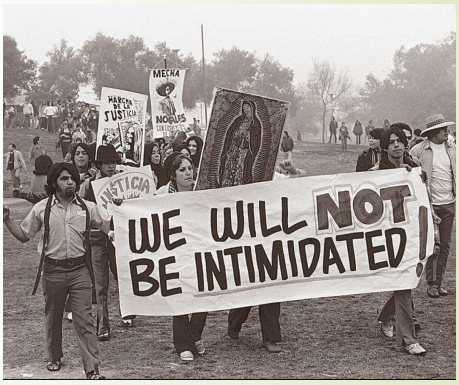
- "Oppressed people cannot remain oppressed forever. The yearning for freedom eventually manifests itself." – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Unity for Struggle

- "Oppressed people, whatever their level of formal education, have the ability to understand and interpret the world around them, to see the world for what it is, and to move to transform it." – Ella Baker



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Struggle for Unity

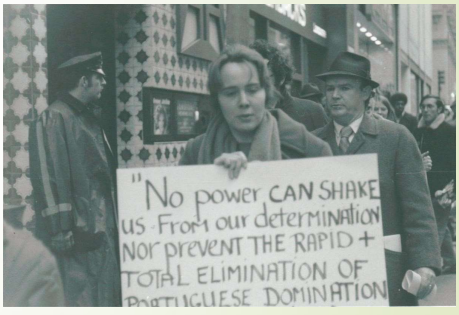
- "Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much" – Helen Keller



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Power anywhere we find people





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The Need for a Unifying Theory and Methodology

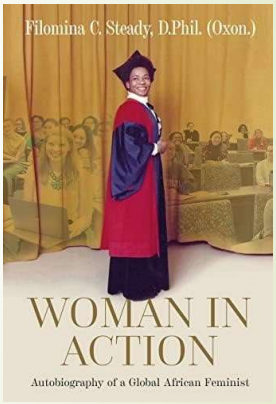
- "People get used to anything. The less you think about your oppression, the more your tolerance for it grows. After a while, people just think oippression is the normal state of things. But to become free, you have to be acutely aware of being a slave." – Assata Shakur



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- "The woman leads a twofold existence indeed, the depth of her social ostracism being equally on by her stoic endurance. To live in harmony with the society of man, to conform with men's demands, she resigns herself to a self-effacement that is demeaning, she sacrifices herself." – Thomas Sankara



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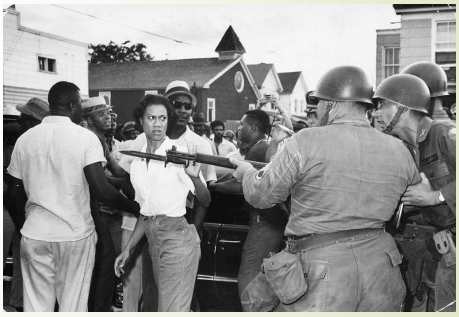
- "All our silences in the face of racist assault are acts of complicity." – bell hooks



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- "I tell you what freedom is to me: no fear. I mean really, no fear!" – Nina Simone



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Beyond The Glass Ceiling: Confronting Patriarchy

- "The Black Woman is not being taken serious, and we have the men in the media, entertainment business, and ourselves to blame. We as Black Women must make the decision to choose how we are seen in the world." – Kathleen Cleaver



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- "Racism, in the first place, is a weapon used by the wealthy to increase the profits they bring in by paying Black workers less for their work." – Angela Davis



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Claudia Jones arrived in Britain in 1955 and set up a support system which gave unprecedented help to West Indians settling here

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A true woman to her people

Michele Hanson

CLAUDIA Jones is buried next to Karl Marx. Very appropriate, as she was a woman of such great courage and conviction that she was a target for the FBI in the Fifties and she was duly incarcerated on Ellis Island, New York, awaiting deportation for a year and a day, released because of ill health and deported to Trinidad, which wouldn't have her back.

She was famous then but is now almost forgotten. Her crime was a political one, and not for her ethnicity. A black woman can be more or less disrespected but a communist is despised. Claudia was a communist until the end.

She was also one of the great communist leaders of all time. Arriving here in 1924, she became a leading light in the black and white centre-stage political and internationalist. She marched and ran the West Indian Gazette and used it to argue, inform, and to give them an international perspective. She was a brilliant speaker, campaigned for black liberation and against racism, and founded the 1958 Notting Hill Carnival.

The only person she didn't look after was Claudia. She died alone at the age of 44.

"She spoke with such persuasive charm that she carried not only conviction but stirred others to activity... the workers at our factory were deeply moved by her appearance."



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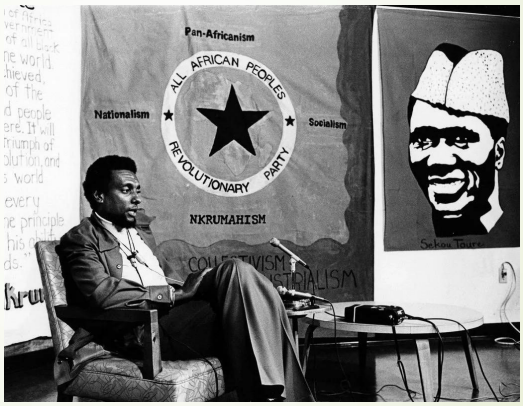
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- "The Lady with the Lamp, the Statue of Liberty, stands in New York Harbor. Her back is squarely turned on the USA. It's no wonder, considering what she would have to look upon. She would weep, if she had to face this way." – Claudia Jones



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