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Martin Luther King, Jr's "I Have a Dream" speech is just about 50 years old, delivered by the activist on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in August of 1963. Considered the

greatest speech of the 20th Century, what many don't know is that the legendary words of the Dream section of that speech were an impassioned ad-lib, prompted when gospel singer Mahalia Jackson shouted to him "Tell them about the Dream, Martin!"

The timeless masterpiece should be our wake-up call, a reminder of how our nation needs to conduct itself, this year, every year. For me, personally, hearing Dr. King's resounding voice and truth again today, the speech means two things at this particular time:

1) The melting pot has deepened in these current times and yet the compassion for equality is not lived out across our nation. From Muslims to Gays to all manner of Immigrants, we still find hate rather than acceptance. When will we finally live, proud of our differences, in the Dr. King creed?

2) President Obama is our greatest orator since Dr. King. Yes, perhaps his ability to speak eloquently excited us to believe he was going to turn our long-standing problems around overnight. But our national issues such as health care and the economy are mammoth crises and not going to be solved quickly by the slow-turning cog of government. Do we really want Romney or any of these GOP candidates running our country?

Let's make sure to keep Obama at the helm. Give him a chance to do the work he's earnestly striving toward.

As Dr. King poetically put it: "Let Freedom Ring".



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Joanne

Grew up as an "oldest" and was reminded constantly to be a good example. Have found that being myself publicly gives others permission to be themselves, too. Hopefully our BEST selves. If I don't make a positive difference, my punishment will be to have to live in the world I helped to create.

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