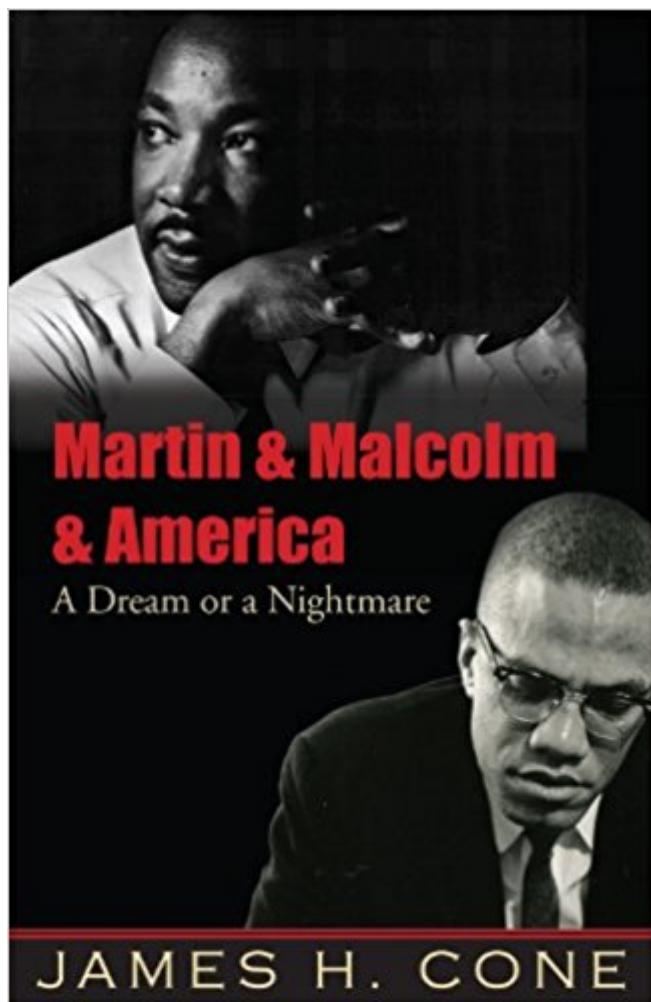


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# Martin & Malcolm & America: A Dream Or A Nightmare



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James H. Cone is Bill and Judith Moyers Distinguished Professor of Systematic Theology at Union Theological Seminary in New York. His other books include *A Black Theology of Liberation*, *God of the Oppressed*, *The Spirituals and the Blues*, and *The Cross and the Lynching Tree*.

This is a scholarly work. The Author gives insight into the lives, philosophy, teaching, strengths and weaknesses of two modern leaders of African-American people so often thought to be at polar opposites, while in reality, their individual messages are found only to work when they are received as one.

James Cone really is a leader in Liberation Theology and Civil Rights. This book is broken up chronologically and will talk about Malcolm's early years than Martin's. Malcolm and women, than Martin and women, etc. The book gives a great overview of the leaders, and how they came to adopt their stances. Where they overlap and how by the end of thier lives they really were not too different. Good read for academics or for fun. On the whole though, Cone seem to ignore and downplay women as a whole, though this is a general critique of his works.

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I bought a copy of this book before, then loaned it out, to never be seen again. I'm glad to have it back in my collection.

A fantastic book! I would recommend it to everyone. Very well written and so insightful. A fantastic documentation of US history, race relations and religion in US

A great read and in depth study of MLK and Malcolm. I only wish they lived longer. They were so powerful!

James Cone blesses the reader with a thorough, unbiased look at 2 of the most iconic figures in the 20th century. With such a vast amount of references, coupled with interesting lives of Martin and Malcolm, there truly never is a dull moment. 5 stars!

I was very pleased with this purchase. This book is very insightful and well-written. Great read when

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