

SLAVE RANTINGS AND PEARLS OF WISDOM

Like everyone born in the United States of America I was raised by slaves and programmed to be a slave. This is the legacy our parents left us. At a young age I rejected slavery, control, conformity, assimilation and questioned everything. I put myself under observation and abhorred those ugly slave traits I saw in myself, and decided not to judge myself, forgave myself, eradicated those traits, continued to look for more and made freedom my highest value.

Many having assimilated into the very society that enslaved them, see things from a very definite and knowable perspective, that of a slave. Following is what I identified as my slave orientation, and the free persons perspective I adopted.

—Myeka

1. Problems have no solutions.

From a mathematical perspective all problems have solutions. Life being mathematical the same is true. Solutions always lead to another set of problems, thus it is said, “mathematicians love problems.”

2. Cause can only be ascertained by those up top or academia.

Cause can be ascertained by anyone who takes the time to understand how an effect came into being.

3. Anger has relevancy in decision making or communication.

Anger is an immature, childish emotion, displayed by adults who have grown physically, but continue to exhibit childish reactions to life happening. Anger is a short-circuiting of a person’s ability to breath, relax, interpret and respond to life. Anger as an emotional reaction can be uprooted. EFT, TAT, RET, Hypnotherapy and other effective therapies can be useful to attain this goal. Anger blocks communications.

4. Punishment and reward are acceptable practices.

Societies, families and individuals erect punishment/reward models when they are inept at understanding cause, problem solving, conflict resolution, healing and education.

5. Saying that something is incorrect makes it so. Example: I’m offended. So that means you have been offended.

This is usually used to detour, uproot or eliminate the examination or discussion of facts. It derives from cowardly people as a sort of sympathy mechanism. In the human development model all things can be discussed, examined and understood. Offense should never be ascribed to a discussion, only actions that violate the sanctity, dignity, self-worth and spirit, mind, emotion or body of an individual or group.

6. Your negative attitudes, disposition, likes or dislikes are mature expressions.

Negative attitudes, dispositions, likes and dislikes are infantile reactions to people, situations and conditions that cause one to feel uncomfortable. These are childhood learned behavior patterns that do not aid in the process of human and community development.

7. Nonviolence is only relevant as a tactic.

Martin Luther King, Jr. said “Its either nonviolence or non-existence.” Nonviolence has application in the human development model as a way of personal and social interactions that enhances, protects and supports individual growth and development. A nonviolent (peace based) societal structure is the foundation for civil living and the advancement and development of a civilization. Nonviolence is the way to peace, justice and prosperity. Nonviolent institutional development is the pathway mankind must tread to avoid extinction through the proliferation of global nuclear warfare.

8. Past achievements give you some type of entitlement that makes you right and others wrong.

Past achievement have a bearing on the present when a continuity of events are built on that foster freedom, justice, equality and the beloved community. Achievements in the present must be examined within the human development model from the perspective of relevancy. Thus a hit song writer or actress would not be expected to have the final say about the curriculum to be taught in a school. Their achievements are irrelevant as it relates to this issue. Thus they have no entitlement to be right over those with less achievements or popularity.

9. Fear is a great motivator.

Fear is a poor motivator. Fear by its very nature paralyzes people. It does not allow one free mobility and keeps one stuck in a cycle of indecisiveness. Fear has been used systematically to control people by people who themselves are fearful. One advocates one's highest ideals and imposes them on others by virtue of a cycle of ignorance and illness.

True self-interest is the best motivator, as people are able to see how overcoming fear and the inertia it brings will lead to a better way of living, being and doing. This is what caused the young people in Birmingham to risk their lives to bring about the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Their self-interest was aroused and it motivated them to take up a cause that was bigger than themselves, their family situation, their nation's understanding and the status quo.

At the same time, their parents were stuck in a cycle of fear that immobilized them. Their fear of retaliation, of losing their jobs, status and the possibility of failure did not allow them to take a stand that was needed and in keeping with the time.

10. The majority is always right.

The majority may be right, but the majority may also be wrong. The majority may be made up of a bunch of ill-informed, cowardly, greedy individuals. One person may be right and 10,000 or more others could be wrong. Right or wrong are not based on the size of a group, it is based on truth ascertained, known, understood and applied.

11. Don't rock the boat.

Don't rock the boat is a cliché used to mean, don't seek change. Change is always appropriate in that it is the only constant in creation. One should always seek a better way of being, doing, behaving, thinking, feeling and creating. The creative process is an active dynamic process that is harmonious with the laws that govern life. Change should not be feared, abhorred or repressed. Change will happen regardless. "Resist change, suffer pain."

12. Hurt feelings should be skirted around.

Hurt feelings are cursors of mental, emotional or physical trauma. Thus one should take the time to heal trauma and not use it to mask or avoid looking at situations, conditions and problems fully. Heal your hurt feelings because they obscure the truth. Like rose colored glasses they can paint a picture that is distorted, unreal, exaggerated and unhealthy.

13. If you talk loud enough and long enough you will somehow drown out the truth.

Bullies, big mouths, instigators, and agitators are known to talk loud and long. These characteristics are the reflection of mental and emotional illness.

14. Thinking is not allowed.

This society is inundated with pseudo-intellectuals who don't create, produce or respect thought. Pseudo-intellectuals operate from imagination, hearsay and opinion. They always have the latest memory of what they heard someone else say via reading or listening. The ability to produce a thought however is far from them. Even more so these people abhor thinkers. The ability to think is learned. Thinkers are not afraid of the status quo, being liked, being accepted nor do they seek to be acknowledged. Thinking is its own reward.

15. Individual scholarship is of no value.

The society of violence does not honor or reward individual scholarship. You must go to this school, that college, that university, receive xyz degree in order to be valued. This is baloney. George Washington Carver the eminent scientist put all books out of his laboratory when he sought to discover the usage of the peanut, was called crazy, said to disrespect books, etc. His simple position was that what he was after was not known and thus not in any book. He had to go into himself to discover the value of the peanut because the world had no value for him as a man of African descent or the peanut. Individual scholarship is available for all. Once a person learns how to do math, read and write anything is possible.

16. All African Americans and females have to have a European or male to vouch for them to be legitimate.

The tradition of white masters and black servants (slaves) is dead, yet there are those who still prescribe to this tradition. As a result when an African American develops, advances or produces something there are those who ask, "and by whose authority (white) did you do this?" The same is true for a female who takes a stand or develops, advances or produces something. The question becomes what male vouches for you? The generation that promotes this illogic is passing into the dead past, and along with them will go this tradition.
Hallelujah

17. Females, girls, women only have physical value and should be seen and not heard.

For the past 5,000 + years females have lived in a subservient position. Incapable of thinking thoughts, creating a path to freedom or feeling love, females have suffered a fate of obscurity. The only value placed on us has been that as bearers of children, prostitutes, and sex slaves. As a result the vocalization of a female has been denied. Females have a right to speak. But oh what a huge fire a little tongue can kindle. When females speak from toxic emotions they are destructive spreading gossip, lies, hate, venom and ill repute. When a female speaks from love oh what a joyous vibration she strikes. May all females find vocalization of the principles that govern life and usher in that day of rejoicing when all are free.

18. Every man for himself. I am not my brothers keeper.

I am my brother and my sister's keeper, because I am all things. We all comprise the wholeness that is life. My life is inexplicably woven in a tapestry of oneness with yours. Thus I want for my brother and my sister what I want for myself. There is only one family and that is the human family.

19. Slaves can never be free.

Slavery like a curse is not forever. These only exist as long as one abdicates personal responsibility for ones state and condition. Once a person accepts responsibility power is gained to change. A person must not fear change. It is the fear of change that enslaves people, leaving them wretched creatures of the lowest desires of sin filled beings. One's freedom is dependent on ones willingness to face the truth about the self. Freedom is not free, it exacts a heavy toll, one few are willing to pay. Freedom means standing alone with God until one is forged in the oven of self-love. Self-love empowers one to be a creative spark in the world that is capable of instigating meaningful change. Herein lies freedom, liberation and peace of mind. Freedom is being free from the fear of death, ostracism, ridicule, and obscurity as one stands in love, and on truth forever ad infinitum.

20. Opinions are of value.

In the halls of the wise, opinion has no place. Opinions are as fleeting as the morning dew. Anyone can have one, but its relevance is of no bearing on the creation of anything.

21. The value of education is that it allows you to secure a good paying job.

Education is the elimination of ignorance. Ignorance is evil and causes one pain and suffering. "Deliver me from evil "is rightfully, "Deliver me from ignorance, not knowing, opinions, superstition, here-say, and false teachings." Education allows a person to; know the self, be true to self, and produce and create from that knowing, for what is inside is outside of the self and it can only be activated from within.

22. Healing is not possible.

All illness is a result of injury that comes from ignorance. Thus all illness can be healed when right knowledge is applied. Right knowledge allows a person to correct the wrong whether it be in the spiritual, mental, emotional or physical realm. Thus healing is possible and there are no dead-end illnesses that cannot be healed.

23. Might is right.

Might is often very wrong. Might is often the result of the acquisition of money and power in the physical realm which may have come through murder, the selling of drugs, the exploitation of nature or the kidnapping and sexual abuse of others. How could any of this be right? When one aligns and invests in the universal rather than the personal one acquires the immensity of all of nature to overcome any illusionary might of frail human capacity.

24. Only slaves and low class people engage in food growing.

All free people take serious the art and science of food production. This is so because freedom is inherent in ones ability to provide one's self and family with the most basic need food. Food producers need never abdicate to another because they control their food source. Slavery and colonialism was able to spread so rapidly because indigenous people agreed to grow export crops and were thus left with no natural food crops for consumption.

25. Ownership gives one the right to be unjust, unloving, unkind, unforgiving and to go on power trips.

Ownership is really a misnomer. One cannot own anything even one's body. Mankind was given stewardship over the earth, not ownership of any part of it, in that it is shared equally among the sons and daughters of God. Greed, avarice, egotism, selfishness and sickness has caused some to instill fear in others and thus handicap their ability to exercise stewardship responsibility, but even in this they don't own anything. Here we have a false belief that people adhere to and give credence to. It has no relevance in the world of truth. You can only own your attitude.