JACKSON STREET AND ME . . . By Rudi Jackson

ME has not been able to help seeing how bad the community's grown, from bad to Super-Bad, but to feel the sadness of heart at how the *so-called leaders (black)* have set idle and let The System That Is ROB and STRIP CLEAN the means of keeping T.W.S.O.T. (westside of town) where many Black Folks call home a place of good to be living in as other sections of the city. It is almost yonder too late to try to shut the gate on what is swiftly coming to be on this section of the city and there is no helper on a great "White Horse" coming to save it . . .

Mostly everything "White" is being used to destroy the youth and many adults alike as "a toot through the nose," or "a shot in a vein."

It is a sad day when you see people without Jobs, Homes being taken away due to no monies and really no one to turn to for legal aid or re-dress of the matters of eviction without just cause in fair housing acts.

Why have the people just sat by and talked between themselves about the slipping into darkness conditions? For one thing there has been no True Leaders to guide the folks. Since THEY have been too busy picking up the few pennies thrown to them to keep "them dark folks in limelites of darkness," and they have, and, are yet doing a DAMN GOOD JOB of keeping the truth from the black people who have worked hard to eke out a living and gain some types of housing to enjoy as others in this city.

There have been no great improvements in the Black Community that one could hold high as a mark of Great Steps Forward. This section of the city has been robbed of Monies that were earmarked for the UPKEEP of IT by ways of many crooked means of drainage from the top . . . Just as so much of the monies and goods; that are so-called: Going to our Black Families in The Fatherland & Motherland of our Black Birth Right," will never reach the starving and dying ones due to the many unjust acts that are carried out in the name of The Most High God and Love . . . When in real, there is no need for any human to have to go through undue hardships here in this earth if The Ruling Powers were truly caring for the earth's dwellers as they could and should.

Mark the words of the Book which many claim to read and heed: "Critical times hard to deal with would come upon the people of the earth, and, the Love of many would grow cold. And many will fall by the wayside because of the things taking place here in this earth." Be careful, dear readers, for the WOLVES in SHEEPS' CLOTHING are helping to destroy your COMMUNITY as you lay sleeping in your bed.

Notice how certain places that used to be what was happening for you to enjoy in whatever way they were put in the community for to serve you, just ain't there to serve your needs no more. Plus, them newly built places out in The Flood Zones is just waiting for you to move in and start to paying High Rent, High Power Bills, and Soon Watch the Fixtures Began to Fall Apart Once You Have sold or Moved Out of What Has Been Claimed as the Best Section of the City to Live In When it Comes Up A Hard Rain . . . Nothing is really being done to create proper drain systems in the city cause the monies are flowing like water in another direction. Check out the talk shows on T.V. and the radio and hear it from some of the people who are handling the affairs of this real-growing city, as it was put to the viewers this past Sunday afternoon.

Them old sad songs hummed and moaned are alright, but not when it comes to saving this community. ACTION needs to be took by them that Claim they are Leaders and SOON!

Cause Sin is sho'nif lined up along the streets of the Westside of Town and is spreading all over this city and super-bad among the Black Folks from all walks of life. The HAVES and the HAVE NOTS are all in the same ballpark as far as The System in Power is concerned . .

and you sho'nuf had better take ME words for it now or later as the move to remove and rebuild with others in mind gets under way on T.W.S.O.T. The only so-called place you desire to live in is being removed from under you.

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