



## **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is widely regarded as America's pre-eminent advocate of nonviolence and one of the greatest nonviolent leaders in world history.

Drawing inspiration from both his Christian faith and the peaceful teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. King led a nonviolent movement in the late 1950's and '60s to achieve legal equality for African-Americans in the United States.

Martin Luther King, Jr. used the power of words and acts of nonviolent resistance, such as protests, grassroots organizing, and civil disobedience to achieve seemingly-impossible goals.

Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech and "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" are among the most revered orations and writings in the English language.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life ended abruptly and tragically on April 4th, 1968, when -at the age of just 39- he was assassinated by James Earl Ray at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee.

We remember Dr. King on Monday January 18, 2021.

Please remember that school will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.