

Let's Talk Honestly:
One Black Man's Thoughts Preview

Hi this is George Cook. I have put 3 poems from my new book here so that you can get an idea of what the book is about. I hope this peaks your interest and makes you want to but the book.

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BLACK WOMAN YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL

You may be slim in the waist
and cute in the face
but you are beautiful

You may have a little gut
and a whole lotta butt
but you are beautiful

You may have a whole lotta hair
or it may be real short up there
but you are beautiful

You may have thick lips
or a whole lotta hips
but you are beautiful

Why are you so beautiful?

Because you are the mothers
of human life on earth
you were the first to give birth

So there is no way that I can even try to place upon your beauty
any type of worth.

BLACK WOMAN YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL!!!!!!

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BLACK ON BLACK

We march when the cops beat us
We cry when our young men are attacked
But where is the outrage
When the attacker is black

Where are the "Civil Rights Leaders"
Where is the black press
When we are the cause
of a sad and tragic death

Where are the bloggers
When it is us that sow the pain
Where are they at
When some us don't act sane

Maybe the truth is
We just don't care
Maybe it's okay for us to kill each other
But a white cop better not dare

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Sorry Boo that purse don't cover....

Now you know
Those jeans are too tight
And stuffing all that in there
Just ain't right

Booty just everywhere
Now you notice men noticing you
You try to pull your shirt down
Sorry that ain't working boo

But then you something really funny
When you see men shake their heads and curse
You get self conscience
And try to cover up all that booty with your purse

Sorry boo but that purse don't cover all that

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Let's stop our black boys from killing each other (Featured on the John Gibson radio show on Fox Radio)

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Back in the mid to late 80's during an unprecedented wave of black on black crime brought on by crack epidemic there was a rap song released by New York rappers asking the youth to stop the violence titled "Self Destruction"

1. There is a line in that song from Kool Mo Dee that put everything into perspective for me.

" I never ever ran from the Ku Klux Klan and I shouldn't have to run from a black man"

Now here in 2009 that statement is more true than ever. Last year in 2008 many crime stats were down in major cities.

* Detroit had "only" 340 homicides in 2008 down 396 from the year before.

* Chicago actually had an increase from 445 homicides in 2007 to 508 in 2008

* In Philadelphia there were 332 in 2008 down from 392 the year before.

What's sad about these stats is not only are many of these victims young black men but that they are being killed by young black men.

A recent study by Northeastern University shows the startling increase of black on black murder since 2008. ([Black Teen Homicide on the rise](#))

Now many will blame the guns laws and the police for not doing a good job. But the question I have is when will we begin to point the finger at ourselves, The Black Community.

The fact is white supremacist groups and bad cops are not the ones murdering our children by the dozens but we rightfully raise all types of hell when they do. When will we challenge our own to stop killing each other.

Many will not like this next statement and I really don't give a damn because to me the lives of our children are more important than an adult's feelings.

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Plain and simple you learn a respect for others and human life at home. It's not a teachers job, a police officers job, or a sports figures job. IT'S THE PARENTS JOB!

I know it's hard especially for single parents especially women but there is no excuse not to instill a value for life in your children. There is no reason that a child does not have some sense of values and morals. For the most part we learn those values from our mothers and a good number are dropping the ball in violence plagued communities.

Black men I will make this simple. To those of you taking care of business and doing what you are supposed to do by your children ignore this. To those that are not raising your children in any way you are part of the problem. If a child of yours kills another child then you are just as much responsible for that death as your child because you choose not to be there and teach them better.

We have to start instilling this now. There is no time to waste. Because 20 years after "Self Destruction" was released not only are we still on the path to self destruction but we are picking up speed.

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