

A Special Message to Those at the Bottom of Society, the Ones This System Hates, Fears, and Kills, and to Those Who Have Stepped Out in the Streets in Outrage

To those in the streets: Stay in the streets and get organized. Get with this movement *for revolution!* You have found your fighting spirit; don't lose it again by following dead-end solutions! You already know that voting doesn't work! You already know that having a Black president doesn't change shit for us down here! You already know that having these pigs wear body cams won't change shit. There's countless videos where these fuckin' pigs wantonly murder people right in front of a camera knowing they're being recorded! What the fuck is it gonna take to get these muthafuckers to stop?! The answer is Revolution—Nothing Less! Nothing less than overthrowing the capitalist-imperialist system that they so viciously serve and protect by keeping us trapped down here, by having us killing each other over streets they own and control, by having us going off on a senseless individualistic “paper chase,” and then locking us up for doing exactly what they want us to do.

This shit has to stop and you can be part of stopping it. All these pigs, all the courts, all the prisons are there not because they want to keep our communities safe, all that shit is there because they fear YOU! They know what you rising up and not staying in your place could turn into. They fear what your righteous anger and your unwillingness to just bow down to their illegitimate authority represents. They fear your potential to transform and become the gravediggers of this system and that's why they hate you! A pig killed Eric Garner with his bare hands, enraged because the big Black man didn't follow orders and call him “sir”! That's why they killed him! That's why they killed Oscar Grant! That's why they killed Ezell Ford! And that's why they MURDERED Michael Brown! They fear you inspiring others with your rebelliousness, with your outrage, with your refusal

to just keep taking this shit. But more than they fear you joining others in righteous protest, more than they fear you breaking windows, burning buildings, or flipping over a fuckin' cop car, more than they fear even another LA Rebellion, they fear you coming together as an organized revolutionary force to overthrow their rotten fuckin' system.

What they're hoping for—and what they're counting on—is that you go back to accepting this. They want us to go back to keeping our heads down and avoid looking at them when we notice them. They want us to call them “sir” when they come into our neighborhoods and let us know who really runs shit. And they want us to accept them killing our youth, gunning them down, or choking them to death when they “get out of line.” If we don't stay in the streets, they get what they want. If we fall into the voting trap, they get what they want. If we fight for meaningless reforms, they get what they want. If we turn away from revolution and the leadership of the Revolutionary Communist Party, they get what they want. They get us walking around in circles aimlessly without any real clarity about the problem and much less the solution. And while now is not the time to go all out for revolution, now IS the time to resist, now IS the time to fight back, now IS the time to build the movement FOR revolution, and now is the time to strengthen the organized force that will lead that revolution.

Get with us, find out why this revolution is necessary, why it's possible, and what it's all about because as Bob Avakian, the Chairman of the Revolutionary Communist Party and leader of this revolution puts it in *Basics*, the handbook for revolutionaries, “*We need a revolution. Anything else, in the final analysis, is bullshit.*”