

STUDY GUIDE

LECTURE: THE POWER IS IN YOU
GOD, SELF-CONTROL & BUILDING A NATION

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SUMMARY

Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad and Student Minister Rodney Muhammad delivers a powerful and insightful lecture that delves into divine prophecy, the importance of self-control, and the call to build a righteous nation. This educational session, unpacks crucial teachings for understanding our current times and preparing for the future.

Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad opens the lecture with heartfelt prayers and expressions of gratitude to Allah, Master Fard Muhammad, the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan. He emphasizes the importance of seeking and researching the "absolute, unadulterated truth" and highlights the critical safety procedures implemented at the mosque. Joseph Muhammad champions *The Final Call* newspaper as an essential resource for understanding unfolding local, national, and international news through the lens of prophecy. He asserts that the world is nearing the end of its current rulership, not the planet itself, and passionately expounds on the profound physical and cellular benefits of prayer, including lowering blood pressure, reducing stress, improving sleep, and enhancing overall health. Prayer, he explains, is a personal conversation with the Divine, and challenges are designed to bring forth the "finer qualities" buried within us. Joseph Muhammad also stresses the necessity of self-improvement study groups for retraining our minds and preparing to "inherit the kingdom" promised to Abraham. He cautions against becoming "spirit killers" and emphasizes the power of emanating truth to attract others.

Student Minister Rodney Muhammad builds upon these foundations, stressing that self-control is the key to power and essential for building a nation. He challenges the audience to recognize the hypocrisy of supporting politicians under white control while resisting a Black messenger of God. Minister Rodney highlights the devil's strategy of inducing "spiritual drowsiness" to prevent people from actively participating in God's work, urging listeners to stay "awake" by adhering to the teachings and keeping God at the center. He emphasizes that the true purpose of Master Fard Muhammad's coming was to make a nation, not just a mosque, with the mosque serving as a means to learn "divine habits" and "actual facts" before expanding these principles into the world.

Minister Rodney delves deeply into **prophecy**, revealing a "hidden knowledge" and "hidden history" that explains why an "old world is going out and a new world is coming in". He reinterprets biblical narratives, clarifying how figures like Moses and Jesus dealt with "serpents" (representing the historical origins of European peoples in caves) and how corrupted understandings of scripture have blinded humanity. He introduces the concept of prophecy being revealed through "types, symbols, parables, or dreams," and underscores that the light of truth has come to expose these hidden realities.

A central theme is the **Messiah's true job description**, which includes "killing the swine" (removing the appetite for pork) and "breaking the cross" (ending reliance on corrupted Christianity). He cites the Nation of Islam's impact on the pork industry and the historical misinterpretations of Christianity's origins and leadership. Minister Rodney reminds the audience that the power of God resides within the "original people" (Black people) as direct descendants of the Living God, making the Nation of Islam a targeted opposition. He also touches on the coming global turmoil, including Europe becoming a "graveyard," and the necessity for sobriety and unwavering faith in the face of impending events.

The lecture also touches upon the profound influence of the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan, particularly his "Great Experience" of September 17, 1985, and its subsequent worldwide impact, including the Million Man March and World Friendship Tours. Minister Rodney challenges listeners to become "helpers" to Minister Farrakhan, recognizing that this is ultimately the best help one can give to oneself for personal and spiritual development.

Discover the profound insights into self-mastery, divine truth, and the unfolding of prophecy relevant for today's world.

Key Concepts Covered:

- Self-Control & Power: The divine key to individual and national strength.
- **Nation Building:** The divine call and purpose of the Nation of Islam.

- Prophecy Unveiled: Understanding types, symbols, parables, and dreams to know "what time it is".
- Messiah's Job Description: "Killing the swine" and "breaking the cross" as prophetic fulfillments.
- Hidden History & Corrupted Teachings: Exposing misinterpretations of scripture and historical narratives.
- The Power of Prayer: Its physical, cellular, and spiritual benefits.
- Master Fard Muhammad & Elijah Muhammad: Their roles in bringing divine truth and guidance.
- The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan: His leadership, teachings, and monumental "Great Experience".
- The Original Man: Black people as direct descendants of God and the source of all humanity.

Join us to awaken to the truth and empower yourself in these critical times!

Study Guide: Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad

- 1. Whom does Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad express gratitude to at the beginning of his lecture, and what significance does he attach to their roles?
- ° Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad expresses profound gratitude to Allah, the beneficent, the Most Merciful, for always sending a messenger, Warner, or prophet when the human family strays. He thanks Allah for Moses and the Torah, Jesus and the Gospel, and Muhammad and the Holy Koran as "worthy servants of Allah". He is eternally grateful to Almighty God for coming Himself in the divine person of Master Fard Muhammad "to seek and save that which was lost," specifically the Black man and woman in North America. He thanks Master Fard Muhammad for leaving "a man who had the same love that he himself had for us," Elijah Poole, who became known as the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, to ensure the raising of Black people to a "pinnacle of success". Lastly, he expresses eternal gratitude to the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan, whom he considers the "perfect student" and "perfect example of what a Muslim should be or what a Christian should be," and who caused him to fall more in love with Master Fard Muhammad, the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and the scriptures.
- 2. What is the purpose and importance of the check procedure at the mosque, as described by Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad?
- ° Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad emphasizes that the check procedure is "very necessary today". Its purpose is to ensure that attendees are in "the safest place that you could possibly be today". He highlights the potential for violence in large crowds, referencing an incident where Charlie Kirk was shot on a college campus, where there was no check procedure. In contrast, at the mosque, "we check everything at the door and there's just certain things that aren't allowed in the house". This procedure removes "carnal weapons" from anyone entering, ensuring that the "weight of truth comes across these air, this microphone, you don't have to worry about someone responding with a carnal weapon to do you any harm". He even states that he himself undergoes the same rigorous checking process.
- 3. How does Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad describe *The Final Call* newspaper, and what is its primary value to the reader?
- ° Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad describes *The Final Call* newspaper as "the boldest, the baddest, most courageous newspaper on the planet, bar none," asserting that "the Wall Street Journal has nothing on the final call". Its primary value lies in its presentation of local, national, and international news that, when examined, reveals direct connections to stories found in the Bible and the Koran. He clarifies that much of scripture, "especially the Bible, 75% of

it is prophecy," meaning it hasn't happened yet. Therefore, by reading *The Final Call*, readers can witness "prophecy unfolding right from this paper" and connect it with the truth that the speaker is given to you from the rostrum. The newspaper aims to provide knowledge that people "didn't know, or maybe you didn't see it clearly," helping to "remove the scales from our eyes or our thinking, or our mind" with the truth.

4. According to Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad, why does Allah allow individuals to experience difficulties, and what is the role of prayer in this process?

° Joseph Muhammad explains that Allah allows individuals to experience difficulties not for punishment, but because "he had a wider purpose for us". He states that "difficulty is made to bring out of us the finer qualities that we know nothing about, that we don't even know is buried within us". He likens it to gold buried deep within the earth, suggesting that we need to "dig that deep to see the gold of God's repository is buried in you, the goodness in you". Allah keeps individuals in trouble because "we won't pray unless we in trouble". Prayer, in this process, is presented as a "personal conversation with a higher power". It is the means through which individuals can seek assistance, especially in times of trouble, and access the "gold of God's repository" within them, ultimately leading to answers and growth, though "be careful what you ask for, because you might not want to go through the way you're going to get it".

5. List at least five physical and cellular benefits of regular prayer as detailed by Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad.

- Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad lists numerous benefits of regular prayer, stating that it can:
 - I. Lower your blood pressure.
 - 2. Slow your heart rate.
 - 3. Reduce stress related hormones like cortisol.
 - 4. Improve sleep (by activating the pineal gland to produce melatonin).
 - 5. Decrease anxiety and depression.
 - 6. Enhance cardiovascular and muscle skeletal health.
- 7. Improve joint mobility, muscle strength, and circulation through the physical positions of prayer (standing, bowing, sitting, prostrating).
 - 8. Reduce inflammation on a cellular level.
 - 9. Improve immune function.
 - 10. Potentially influence gene expression.

6. What is the main purpose of self-improvement study groups, and what historical promise does Joseph Muhammad connect them to?

• The main purpose of self-improvement study groups is to retrain and rearrange our minds so that "we can be prepared to inherit the kingdom that Almighty God... promised Abraham". Joseph Muhammad connects these study groups to the biblical prophecy in Genesis, specifically the 15th chapter, where God tells Abraham that his offspring would be in "a land that is not their own, and they shall serve this, that people and be afflicted by them for 400 years". After this period, God promised to "judge that nation" and have Abraham's descendants "come out with great substance" and live to a "ripe old age". These study groups are crucial for developing the wisdom and understanding necessary to fulfill this divine promise and live long, prosperous lives guided by God.

7. How does Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad describe the effect of having the "light of truth" within oneself, particularly concerning attracting others?

° Student In The Ministry Joseph Muhammad explains that when the "light of truth is on, and then the light of truth is nothing but Almighty God, Elohim," it radiates and attracts people. He likens it to how insects are drawn to a light on a summer night, stating that if "we have the truth in us that way and we are resonating, we have that attracting power. We attract people the same way". This emanation of truth and love causes people to want to be around those who possess it, seeking to get "some of it". He concludes that such individuals are recognized as "good people".

Regional Student Minister Rodney Muhammad

- 1. What is God calling people to do, and what is essential for building a great nation?
- ° God is calling people to "build a nation" to glorify Him, not enemies. A nation built on righteousness is desired, and anything unrighteousness in oneself is a "burden" that weighs down the "power of your soul."
- 2. According to Student Minister Rodney Muhammad, what is the danger of accepting praise for one's greatness?
- Accepting praise from the media for personal achievements, such as being a great basketball player or singer, is seen as accepting a "burden on your soul" because the praise truly belongs to God, who gave the ability.
- 3. What is identified as the key to power, and how does it relate to current societal issues like protests?
- **Self-control** is the **key to power**. Student Minister Rodney Muhammad explains that without self-control, people are powerless, merely protesting against those who are in power because they control themselves and others. He suggests that if every black person controlled themselves, those in power would lose control over them.
- 4. What is the relationship between fear and righteousness, and how does it connect to one's divine lineage?
- Fear is not a companion of righteousness. Student Minister Rodney Muhammad teaches that God never created a creature He was afraid of, and every creature fears God. As direct descendants of God, if people bow to God, the creatures will be willing to bow to them.
- 5. What is the ultimate purpose of the mosque, according to the teachings, and how does it relate to the concept of nation-building?
- ° The purpose of the mosque is not an end in itself but a **means to an end**: to help make a nation. It serves as a place to hear the message of Islam, learn "divine habits" and "actual facts," which are then expanded into the earth. The minister states, "Allah has made the earth my mosque," emphasizing that the principles learned extend beyond the building.
- 6. How does Student Minister Rodney Muhammad reinterpret biblical narratives, specifically regarding Moses, Jesus, and the "serpent of the wilderness"?
- He explains that there is a "hidden history" that the light of truth is now revealing. He clarifies that Jesus, when discussing Moses, referred to Moses lifting the "serpent of the wilderness" rather than freeing children of Israel from Pharaoh. This "serpent of the wilderness" symbolizes the historical origin of European peoples in the caves of Europe, whom Moses addressed with "strong law" because they were "killers" and "thieves."
- 7. What is prophecy, and through what four different forms is prophetic utterance revealed?

- Prophecy is the utterance of predictions. Prophetic uttering is revealed through four different things:
 - 1. A type: a person, place, or thing from yesterday specifically designed to prefigure something today.
 - 2. **Symbols**: something put up that represents a reality, but is not the reality itself.
 - 3. A parable: clothing the truth or some reality in a story to help extract the lesson.
 - 4. A dream.
- 8. How does the concept of "judgment" begin, and what role does the "man of sin" play in this process?
- Judgment is described as a period of time, not a 24-hour day, that is moving toward a climax. It starts with **truth** coming and revealing the "man of sin" (the devil), causing people to fall away from him. The Honorable Elijah Muhammad taught that the white man is the "real devil" of the Bible, and revealing this truth initiates the judgment.
- 9. What is the first part of the Messiah's job description, and how has this been fulfilled?
- ° The first thing the Messiah would do is "kill the swine." This means not just weaning people off pork, but "killing the appetite for the swine" entirely. Student Minister Rodney Muhammad states that contact with this man's word (Elijah Muhammad and Farrakhan) kills this appetite, and people who have been exposed to it, even if they leave the Nation, generally never return to eating pork. This impact was so significant it even led the pork industry to rebrand pork as "the other white meat."
- 10. What is the second part of the Messiah's job description, and how is it related to the history of Christianity?
- ° The second thing the Messiah would do is "break the cross." This relates to challenging the corrupted understanding of Christianity. Student Minister Rodney Muhammad explains that Christianity did not start with Jesus but was decided upon 300 years after his departure, with its center of representation ending up in Rome (the Vatican) rather than Jerusalem where Jesus lived and died. This highlights a "slick" deviation from original teachings.
- 11. According to the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, what is the origin of the white man, and why is this understanding significant?
- ° The Honorable Elijah Muhammad taught that it is a "mathematical, biological and genetic impossibility for two white people to produce anything other than themselves." Therefore, the white man was not first. Student Minister Rodney Muhammad states that the white man "came from us" (black people, the original people). He notes that white people would rather claim descent from apes than give credit to black people for producing them. This understanding is significant because it reveals black people as the "father" and calls for them to be honored.
- 12. What was the significance of the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan's "Great Experience" in September 1985, and what events did it lead to?
- ° The "Great Experience" of September 17, 1985, was a "fantastic experience" where Minister Farrakhan heard the clear voice of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and was shown the minds of every president since that period. This event was monumental, leading to a "worldwide movement" including a powerful address with the human family (Chicanos, Native Americans, whites, Latinos), the Million Man March nine years later, and three World Friendship Tours. It is seen as a threshold for "something else big happening on this planet."

