



STUDY GUIDE

LECTURE: "I'LL TAKE BEING DIFFERENT"
ACCEPT YOUR OWN AND BE YOURSELF.

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SUMMARY

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1. **Why is the "check procedure" upon entering the mosque strictly enforced?*

* The check procedure is enforced to ensure the safety of everyone who enters. Because the truth taught can be so strong and unadulterated, it may cause people to react emotionally from a lower standard of thinking rather than the highest standard, potentially harming those around them.

2. **How does he describe *The Final Call* newspaper in contrast to mass media?*

* He describes *The Final Call* as the "baddest, boldest, most courageous paper on the planet". While mass media tells lies by mixing truth with falsehood, *The Final Call* provides the unadulterated truth that balances out all the lies.

3. **What analogy does he use regarding the King James Version of the Bible?*

* He refers to it as a "poison book," noting that all medication is technically poison. However, if the medication is prescribed by a competent doctor and administered by a competent nurse, there is a healing in the poison, just as the truths given by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad clear up the doubt in the scriptures.

4. **Why does the Nation of Islam use the word "striving" instead of "trying"?*

* Saying "I'm trying" acts as an exit strategy or an excuse for failure. Saying "striving" represents the onward march to keep pushing forward, no matter what, until the goal is reached.

5. **What does he compare the teachings and lessons to when explaining why some people fail to get results?*

* He compares the teachings to exercise equipment, pointing out that equipment doesn't work if you just hang your dirty laundry on it and never actually use it. Similarly, if believers do not put the teachings into practice and follow the instructions, they will never get the intended results.

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Study Guide: Student In The Ministry Tuere Muhammad

1. **What statistics does she share regarding the current difficulties faced by Black people in America?*

* She notes that the Black unemployment rate is at 7.3%, almost 400,000 people have lost their jobs in the past two years, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 is being dismantled, and HBCUs have been deprived of \$350 million in funding.

2. **What does Holy Quran Chapter 9, Verse 4 state about human nature and difficulty?*

* It states, "We have certainly created man to face difficulties," meaning it is without a doubt in our nature to have to contend with, struggle against, and conquer obstacles.

3. **According to the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan, what is the purpose of trials and suffering?*

* Trials are necessary to bring out what is hidden within you. He teaches that the creative power God put inside human beings does not come out without struggle, and that one cannot create without suffering.

4. **How do people often react instead of facing their difficulties?*

* Instead of facing difficulty, people often use distractions like scrolling on their phones for hours, drinking, smoking, or even committing suicide.

5. **What does avoiding or running from difficulty signify about a person's faith?*

* Turning your back on struggles like a coward means that you disbelieve in the power of God to change any reality, no matter how hard it is.

6. **Who does she point to as the best example of a believer whose life was transformed by God?*

* The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, who was born during the Jim Crow era, barely reached the fourth grade, and lived in the impoverished Black Bottom community in Detroit before meeting Master Fard Muhammad.

7. **What is the promised reward for facing these difficulties and following God's Word?*

* The reward is a new civilization and substance characterized by knowledge, wisdom, understanding, refinement, culture, unity, peace, and good homes.

Study Guide: Student In The Ministry Linda Muhammad

1. **How does the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan explain the parable of Jesus turning water into wine?*

* He explains that water represents the revealed Word of God, which is the source of life. When you take that word and give the *understanding* of it, it becomes "wine," which invigorates the spirit and gives people seemingly boundless energy.

2. **What does the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan describe as the "cheapest form of communication"?*

* He describes gossip, rumor mongering, backbiting, slander, and defamation as the cheapest form of communication.

3. **What happens to a person's spiritual energy when they engage in cheap talk and gossip?*

* Engaging in this type of conversation is not only low in electrical energy, but it actually deteriorates and strips away the energy gained from divine revelation, bringing death to the spirit.

4. **According to the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, how long does it take for a sick person to show a change when the Word of God is spoken into their ear?*

* He stated that you will see a change in them within eight minutes and twenty seconds, or 500 seconds.

5. **What physical bodily process takes the exact same amount of time (500 seconds)?*

* It takes the same amount of time for blood to travel from the head down to the feet and back up to the head.

6. ****How does she relate the benefits of healthy physical blood circulation to the Word of God?***

* Just as healthy blood circulation sustains physical life by bringing nutrients and removing physical waste (like carbon dioxide), the Word of God is essential for sustaining spiritual life and eliminating improper thinking, indecent morals, and unrighteous actions.

7. ****According to the Holy Quran 5:15-16, what two things have come from Allah to guide the people?***

* A "light" (referencing a man who can guide you back to the path of Allah, like a light-giving sun) and a "perspicuous book" (the Holy Quran).

8. ****What does the number four represent in the teachings?***

* The number four represents foundation. She connects this to the first four verses of the second chapter of the Quran, which contain the foundational principles of Islam.

9. ****How does she connect the Quranic chapters "The Food" (Chapter 5) and "The Cow" (Chapter 2) to our spiritual diet?***

* She points out that just as the cow physically gives us pure, life-extending milk to drink, the book (Chapter 2, The Cow) is a guide we must "drink in". Chapter 5 (The Food) represents proper physical food, while Chapter 2 represents the proper spiritual food.

10. ****How did the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan define true "life" for men and women, beyond basic biological functions?***

* He defined true life as knowing Allah (God) and knowing that one in whom His wisdom, knowledge, and power is present in the last days.

11. ****When people try to blame Satan for their actions, what does the Holy Quran say is Satan's true level of power over them?***

* Satan says, "I had no power over you... I just called you and you came," demonstrating that we use our own free will to follow him.

12. ****What does she say we must do if the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan never speaks to us again?***

* She states that he has already done his job of clearly delivering the word. Therefore, we cannot be mediocre; we must utilize the books, tapes, YouTube videos, CDs, and DVDs to continue feeding on his words.