

# Consciousness

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Race is a social construct.  
Construction of the colonizers.  
All in the name of modernity and civilization  
Or so they say, but is that really the case?  
Be saved by white Gods and accept white discourses.  
Be grateful and accept the wins that are given.  
Do not want more!  
Know your place!

But what place should I know as a Black soul?  
Wondering lost, far and wide.  
Searching for identity.  
Wearing masks of conformity.  
As I am constantly reminded to fit in.  
Keep it in your box.  
Know your lane and do not want too much.  
Take the white one's second-hand charity.  
But do not pursue Black vitality.

Oh, Black souls of consciousness,  
I hear you calling.  
But how can I answer?  
When I see what they have done to my fore parents for coming forward.  
The fear, fear that the desired inflicts on the other.  
Real fear  
Crippling fear  
Fear that takes the life of Black folks, even though they are not resisting.  
Say their name, the names of those taken by whyte society.

In an attempt to control and keep power and manifest greed.  
But Black folks are the criminals.  
My Black skin is the issue.  
But is it really us if Black consciousness causes whyte fear?  
Or is it the fear acted on to protect that which they never built?  
But stolen.

Questioning the white intention.  
Intentions are more evident.  
Intentions that are more clear.  
Intentions that narrate the road map of historical dilemmas and mass atrocities, all in  
the name of colonial conquests and greed.

Take Black souls and give them false hope.  
Because one must die to access privileges afforded to white people in life but to Black folks only in death.  
Funny, isn't it?  
I am sure the white one would think so, but funny at whose expense?  
But still, are they right, and am I wrong.  
How come?

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