



Perhaps it is because of the great and powerful propaganda machines that are our social sphere, educational systems, and media, who uphold a picture of the late Dr. King washed clean of his Communism and his appreciation and understanding of violent protest, always in conflict with a monstrous defamation of the late Malcolm X, complete with the claws and fangs of his earlier, more hateful years, and his more powerful and important later years erased from the image, just like King. Regardless of these reasons, it is folly to think that somehow, our movement refusing to defend oneself and destroy the oppressing power of a government who only cares for said profit and property somehow get said government to lay down its arms against a single group of people, nevermind the whole population under its governance.

Perhaps those at the frontlines who ask for peace overall demand it because they have been alone for so long at the hands of a government that has raped and pillaged them for generations, and so they simply want to be left alone for the first time in centuries. Perhaps it is because there are those of us with the fear that our violent actions will undermine a movement against the violent oppression of Africana and by association and inclusion all peoples which are under the scrutiny of any police force, settling a false equivalence between the defensive, freedom-seeking actions of the Brutalized and the offensive, liberty-destroying actions of the Oppressor. These are not pearl clutchers, like those addressed above -- they have been in combat without being able to fight, they have been taking all of the worst oppressions and malevolence of our Oppressors this entire time. Before the protests, they had been sucked dry of their wealth, their life, and their very existence -- we would be utterly disrespectful to their struggle to ask them to fight any longer. Instead, we must use our bodies to shield them, to heal them, and to rebuild their communities. Instead of quitting because they have suffered, we must work so that they never suffer at the hands of an oppressor ever again.

### **The Corporate Media And Our Image.**

The Corporations that own most of the nation's media are very invested in keeping up the image of the institution of the Police. As such, no matter what we do, they will always put us in a bad light. The same treatment was given to MLK and Malcom. If we are against the Police, we are also against these corporations, and therefore they will report that we are unruly, violent mobs that only want to burn shit down, or that its only white people who are marching in order to raid and steal, or that it's some boogiemens that wants to upend our society rather than the reality of the situation. The idea of property over people is and will always be propagated by those with most property. All our goals go against their interests of profit so it is not only a matter of Racism on their part but also interests of capital, money, profit, etc.

