



## A Selected Bibliography on Social Justice<sup>1</sup>

*Martin Luther King Jr. Day presents an important opportunity for each of us to reflect on the struggle to achieve equality and real social justice and to think about how we can address the many injustices that persist to this day. Here, in honor of Dr. King, we highlight a few writers who have made significant contributions to the discussion of race relations in this country. Who would you add to this admittedly incomplete listing?*

***Just Mercy: A story of justice and Redemption.*** Bryan Stevenson

***The New Jim Crow: mass incarceration in the age of color-blindness.*** Michelle Alexander

***Groundwork: Charles Hamilton Houston and the struggle for Civil Rights.*** Gennar McNeil

***Between the World and Me.*** Ta-Nehsi Coates

***Simple Speaks His Mind.*** Langston Hughes

***Give Us the Ballot: the struggle for voting rights in America.*** Ari Berman

***Blood at the Root: a racial cleansing in America.*** Patrick Phillips

***Malcom X: a life reinvented.*** Manning Marable

***Locking Up Our Own: crime and punishment in black America,*** James Forman, Jr.

***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks.*** Rebecca Skloot

***Chokehold: policing black men.*** Paul Butler

***Twelve Years a Slave.*** Solomon Northrop

***Nobody Knows My Name: Notes from a Native Son,*** James Baldwin

***The Color Purple.*** Alice Walker

***Home to Harlem.*** Claude McKay

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***Becoming Justice Blackmun:*** Harry Blackmun's Supreme Court Journey. Linda Greenhouse

***Letter from a Birmingham Jail. ("Why We Can't Wait")***. Martin Luther King, Jr.

***Native Son.*** Richard Wright

***The People Could Fly.*** Virginia Hamilton

***The Nine:*** inside the secret world of the Supreme Court. Jeffrey Toobin

***Stony the Road: Reconstruction, white supremacy, and the rise of Jim Crow.*** Henry Louis Gates

***I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.*** Maya Angelou

***Freshwater Road.*** Denise Nichols

***The Invisible Man.*** Ralph Ellison

***Beloved.*** Toni Morrison

***Song of Solomon.*** Toni Morrison

***Their Eyes Were Watching God.*** Zora Neale Hurston

***The Souls of Black Folk.*** W.E.B. DuBois

***Carry Me Home.*** Diane McWhorter

***The Warmth of Other Suns:*** The Epic Story of America's Great Migration. Isabel **Wilkerson**

***Bearing the Cross: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.***  
David Garrow