

## Choice of Colors

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If you had a choice of color  
Which one would you choose my brothers  
If there was no day or night  
Which would you prefer to be right  
How long have you hated your white teacher  
Who told you, you love your black preacher  
Do you respect your brother's woman friend  
And share with black folks not of kin  
People must prove to the people  
A better day is coming for you and for me  
With just a little bit more education  
And love for our nation  
Would make a better society

Now some of us would rather cuss and make a fuss  
Than to bring about a little trust  
But we shall overcome our beliefs someday  
If you'll only listen to what I have to say  
And how long have you hated your white teacher  
Who told you, you love your black preacher  
Can you respect your brother's woman friend  
And share with black folks not of kin  
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