

Mabrak

Bongo Jerry (*Savacou*, 3/4, 1971)

Lightning
is the future brightening,
for last year man learn
how to use black eyes.
(wise!)

Mabrak:

NEWSFLASH!
'Babylon plans crash'
Thunder interrupt their program to
announce:

BLACK ELECTRIC STORM
IS HERE

How long you feel 'fair to fine
(WHITE)' would last?

How long calm in darkness
when out of BLACK
come forth LIGHT?

How long dis slave caste
when out of
the BLACK FUTURE

comes

I
RIGHTS
?

Every knee
must bow

Every tongue
confess

Every language
express

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YOU

MUST

COME

to RAS
MABRAK,
Enlightening is BLACK
hands writing the words of
black message
for black hearts to feel.

MABRAK is righting the wrongs and brain-whitening – HOW?
Not just by washing out the straightening and wearing dashiki t'ing:
MOSTOFTHESTRAIGHTENINGISINTHETONGUE – so HOW?

Save the YOUNG
from the language that MEN teach,
the doctrine Pope preach
skin bleach.

HOW ELSE?... MAN must use MEN language to carry dis message:

SILENCE BABEL TONGUES; recall and
recollect BLACK SPEECH.

Cramp all double meaning
an' all that hiding behind language bar,

for that crossword speaking
when expressing feeling

is just English language contribution to increase confusion in
Babel-land tower –

delusion, name changing, word rearranging
ringing rings of roses, pocket full of poses:

'SAR' instead of 'RAS'
left us in a situation
where education
mek plenty African afraid, ashamed, unable to choose
(and use)

BLACK POWA. (Strange Tongue)

NOT AGAIN!
Never be the same!
Never again shame!

Ever now communicate – for now I-and-I come to recreate:
sight sounds and meaning to measure the feeling
of BLACK HEARTS – alone –

MABRAK: frightening
MABRAK: black lightning

The coming of light to the black world: Come show I the way,
come make it plain as day – now – come once, and come for all
and every one better come to RAS
for I come far, have far to go from here:

for the white world must come to blood bath
and blood bath is as far as the white world can reach; so
when MABRAK
start skywriting,
LET BABYLON BURN
JEZEBEL MOURN
LET WEAK HEART CHURN
BLACK HOUSE STAND FIRM: for somewhere under
ITYOPIA rainbow,
AFRICA WAITING FOR I.