



Becoming King: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Making of a National Leader

By Troy Jackson

University Press of Kentucky. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 248 pages. Dimensions: 8.9in. x 5.8in. x 0.9in. The history books may write it Reverend King was born in Atlanta, and then came to Montgomery, but we feel that he was born in Montgomery in the struggle here, and now he is moving to Atlanta for bigger responsibilities. -- Member of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, November 1959 Preacher -- this simple term describes the twenty-five-year-old Ph. D. in theology who arrived in Montgomery, Alabama, to become the pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in 1954. His name was Martin Luther King Jr. , but where did this young minister come from What did he believe, and what role would he play in the growing activism of the civil rights movement of the 1950s In *Becoming King: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Making of a National Leader*, author Troy Jackson chronicles Kings emergence and effectiveness as a civil rights leader by examining his relationship with the people of Montgomery, Alabama. Using the sharp lens of Montgomerys struggle for racial equality to investigate Kings burgeoning leadership, Jackson explores Kings ability to connect with the educated and the unlettered, professionals and the working class....



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