

CLARKE

Don't have nothin' to do with us. Nothin' at all. Lillie's got her heart set on goin' on to college. Now, how can you say she's sufferin' from goin' to Negro schools? She's smart as the dickens. Ain't a white child around smarter than my Lillie.

DR. CLARK

What college does she plan to go to?

RAYMOND

Same as you went to. Howard University, there in Washington. Now, isn't that one of the best colleges around?

DR. CLARK

It is certainly an excellent university. But does Lillie think any other college would accept her?

CYNTHIA

I don't know. She's always just said she wants to go to that Howard University for Negroes.

CLARKE

And what's so wrong with that?

DR. CLARK

Nothing at all. A good university. But, shouldn't Lillie have otehr choices? Should she only be able to go to Negro colleges?

CLARKE

Seems to me, if that's who wants her, that's where she should go. Why go somewhere if you're not wanted?

DR. CLARK

Do you like the idea of your great-granddaughter having to go all the way across the country to go to college? What if she wanted to go right here? What if you can't afford to send her all the way across the country? And, even if you can, what about Negro parents who can not afford it? Should their children be deprived of the same educational opportunities that white children receive?

RAYMOND

It's not fair, Pappy. You got to admit, it's not fair.

CLARKE

Well, who's gonna change it? And how many colored children gonna get hurt tryin' to get into those white schools? You just openin' a can of worms, that's what I say. You think those white folks gonna let my Lillie go to their schools without a fight? You want your own little girl being spit on every day she walks in a white school yard? No sir, I don't think we can afford to put our children through such a thing.