

Roll Of Thunder... Hear My Cry

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Song: Brother's Unaware

It talks about how it doesn't matter who you are or where you come from; you are living knowledge.

WW #1
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"White is something just like black is something. Everybody born on this Earth is something no matter the color." - Mama
Mama is saying that everyone is important and equal no matter their color; even if someone holds himself as superior. People are the same on the inside, so why not the outside?

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"Baby, we have no choice as to what color we are or if we are rich or poor. What we do have is a choice over what we make with our lives." - Mama
We may not be able to change or choose certain things, but we can choose where we will go and what we will do with our lives. We will not dwell on the past.

A-Ha Moment
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"Mama! The cotton is on fire!" - Cassie

Papa set the cotton field on fire for more than one reason. One, to distract the night riders from T.J and his family in general, and two, to delay or hopefully prevent T.J's hanging and payment for his 'crimes'. Although it would cost the Logan's very much it was worth T.J's life.

A-Ha Moment
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"I could see that the books were badly worn with tears and ink smudges." - Cassie

Cassie realized that although they were receiving books that year, they were getting books that whites considered no longer usable. It was as if they were to be treated like the books.

Symbol: Their Land

People are always trying to talk or force the Logan's to sell their land. The people always being white. But in the book, the Logans never gave up their land, and for two reasons. The first reason was because their family has owned that land for generations. Also, if they lose the land, they would have to depend on dangerous people to live.

Connection

Roll Of Thunder, Hear My Cry is a replica of today, and isn't at the same time. The thought of white superiority is still a thought in some minds, but it isn't seen or shown in public. Although it tends to become an iffy subject between different races, some blacks are rarely threatened.