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SCIENCE-BASED PRACTICES FOR KINDER, HAPPIER SCHOOLS

# LETTER FROM BIRMINGHAM JAIL EXCERPT

In a real sense all life

Inter-related.

All men are caught in an inescapable  
network of mutuality, tied in a single  
garment of destiny.

Whatever affects one  
directly, affects all

Indirectly.

I can never be what I ought to be  
until you are what you ought to be,  
and you can never be what you ought to be  
until I am what I ought to be.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

["Letter from Birmingham Jail"](#)