

I am moved, a Locomotion of Heart



Review: Dear Dad, 2010 by Ky-Mani Marley

In this life, you have to Struggle to survive – unless you had a rich dad. Oh, but Ky-Mani has one, none other than Bob Marley, the King of Reggae, yet Ky-Mani could not escape.

Dear Dad plays a rhythmic tune in the hearts of those familiar with The Struggle. The idea of family – oneness. It is the desire to return the warmth of love in spite of the coldness that surrounds you. Jamaicans know The Struggle, it leads to The Love, One Love.

I felt a chasm divide my heart as Ky-Mani pleaded for love among your father's family. The belief that you love because of the love that's in you. It is the hope that if your friends of today were to become your enemies tomorrow, you would love then as you them love them now.

This love needs no explanation, both by the giver and the receiver feels it and knows it – though the receiver might mistake it, ignore it, judge it, dispute it, even reject it.

This kind of love is fearless, borderless, penniless, uncontainable. I sense this is the love Ky-Mani spreads. But how do you say these things in a book? Read Dear Dad.

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