

1962 continued

September

James Meredith makes first attempt to enroll at the University of Mississippi. He is enrolled by order of the Supreme Court and escorted onto the campus by U.S. marshals on October 1st.

# 1963

March

Sit-in demonstrations are held in Birmingham. Dr. King is arrested.

April

King writes the "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

May

U.S. Supreme Court rules Birmingham's segregation ordinances are unconstitutional.



June

King's book *Strength to Love* is published.

August

The March on Washington is held. Dr. King delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

# 1964

May

King joins other SCLC workers in demonstrations for the integration of public accommodations and is arrested.

June

King's book *Why We Can't Wait* is published.

July

King attends the signing of the Public Accommodations Bill, part of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

July-August

Riots occur in Harlem, New Jersey, Illinois and Pennsylvania.



Selma, Alabama, 1965: Marchers were savagely beaten after crossing the Pettis Bridge on their march from Selma to Montgomery. The march continued, culminating in a triumphant rally on the steps of the State Capitol.

Left: In 1963 King delivered his "I Have A Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

September

Dr. King and Rev. Ralph Abernathy visit West Berlin at the invitation of Mayor Willy Brandt. King has an audience with Pope Paul VI at the Vatican.

December

King receives the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway.

# 1965

March

Over 3,000 marchers leave Selma, Alabama for a march to Montgomery where they hear an address by Dr. King.

August

The 1965 Voting Rights Act is signed by President Johnson.

*"A true revolution of values will soon cause us to question the fairness and justice of many of our past and present policies. A true revolution of values will soon look uneasily on the glaring contrast between poverty and wealth. With righteous indignation, it will look across the seas and see individual capitalists of the West investing huge sums of money in Asia, Africa and South America only to take the profits out with no concern for the social betterment of the countries, and say, 'This is not just!'"*



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