

everybody's view. Every kind of oppression falls into a rank under the collective consciousness. Those who are the most privileged are unable to understand the oppressed minorities, so there is always a middle class that is often viewed itself as oppressed but is actually somehow privileged. Patricia Hill Collins in her essay *Black Feminist Thought in the Matrix of Domination* talks from the perspective of a black woman's point of view about what it is like to be below the privileged class and oppressed. Colling's thoughts can be supported with the collective conscious theories, where oppressive behavior comes back from a segregative past that is still subconsciously practiced by society in general.

The *Black Feminist Thought in the Matrix of Domination* by Collins is a piece of literature that accurately shows the perspective of an oppressed class that has an open panorama of how oppression works in society. She explains how social ranks are formed within the collective consciousness, and how these view reality through different lenses. Say white women may see themselves sexually oppressed under white males, but they are unable to see their white privilege over black women. She recognizes that even though she is in an oppressed class, smaller minorities that are under her experience oppression on a different level. Every minority occupies a rank in society that is somehow oppressed and also privileged. The matrix can become very complex when we include parameters like age, sexuality, religion, and many other factors.

The collective consciousness, as an omnipotent force embedded in society, plays once again the main role in societies' behavior when it comes to privilege and oppression. The fact that a white woman is only able to recognize their oppressors, comes from a collective consciousness that has taught them to be oblivious of the privilege they are practicing. The

their oppression but blurs their privilege over other minorities.

Patricia Hill Collins proposes that this veil from the collective consciousness can be dissipated from everybody's view if we just give ourselves a chance to view the whole panorama. For centuries, the collective consciousness has given the privileged classes the power to ignore that privilege. Changing our view would help all classes understand and recognize the privilege they hold, therefore becoming more conscious and inclusive about every minority.