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"IT IS NOT A RACIAL PROBLEM. IT'S A PROBLEM OF WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE WILLING TO LOOK AT YOUR LIFE AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT AND THEN BEGIN TO CHANGE IT.

THAT GREAT WESTERN HOUSE I COME FROM IS ONE HOUSE, AND I ONE OF THE CHILDREN OF THAT HOUSE. SIMPLY I AM THE MOST DESPISED CHILD OF THAT HOUSE. AND IT IS BECAUSE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE UNABLE TO FACE THE FACT THAT I AM FLESH OF THEIR FLESH, BONE OF THEIR BONE, CREATED BY THEM."

—JAMES BALDWIN



HEARTS

"I SAW THE BEST ~~MINORS~~ OF MY GENERATION DESTROYED BY
MADNESS, STARVING HYSTERICAL NAKED..."

—ALLEN GINSBURG, "HOWL"