

## Extended Metaphors in King's "I Have a Dream Speech"

An **extended metaphor** is a comparison of two essentially unlike things at some length and in several ways. It does not contain the words *like* or *as*.

**Directions:** Read the "I Have a Dream" speech by Martin Luther King Jr. Identify the extended metaphors he uses throughout the speech.

*"This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice" (lines 6-8).*