

# WE CAN HANDLE THE TRUTH



**BRYAN STEVENSON**

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## BLACK HISTORY IS AMERICAN HISTORY



Bryan Stevenson has successfully freed wrongfully convicted men from death row, and argued at the Supreme Court that mandatory sentencing of life-without-parole for children is unconstitutional. Yet, Stevenson's most enduring legacy will be the Legacy Sites of the Equal Justice Initiative he founded. The Legacy Sites help us get proximate to American history – because Black history is American history, from enslavement to mass incarceration – and grapple with our discomfort that the systems that perpetuate racial injustice have evolved because the underlying belief in a racial hierarchy remains largely unchanged for the majority of White Americans.

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