**Restorative / Pro – Amnesty**

***Nelson Mandela***



Nelson Mandela was born on July 18th, 1918 in Mvezo, Cape Province, South Africa. He passed away of old age on December 5th, 2013 at 95. Over the course of his lifetime he had three wives and six children. He was a South African rights activist, fought for the freedom of the South African people and went to jail because of it for 27 years. While he was imprisoned he kept the respect and support of the people. After a 20-year anti-apartheid campaign, he was elected as the first president of South Africa and stayed in office from 1994-1999. Experiencing racism first hand while growing up in South Africa, Nelson Mandela believed in reconciliation and redistributive justice rather than retributive.

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**“**The most in-depth, insightful and engrossing documentary on Nelson Mandela during the "hottest" years of the struggle between 1985 to 1994, spanning before his prison release to the ANC's momentous campaign to form government by 1994…Despite an intensely complex situation rife with violence, hate, and division, Mandela's upstanding moral character and brilliance shine through consistently - never does he sink towards revenge, small mindedness or lose his connection towards compassion and an understanding of the greater society. He maintains a "highest, best" mindset emphasizing a peaceful transition towards a multi-racial, democratic, inclusive society, despite being under the most trying of circumstances - upholding not only principled ideals but undertaking the necessary practical measures to achieve success based on the complex realities - something that today's activists can learn from.”

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United Nations, 16 July 2010 - This video is a montage of some of Nelson Mandela appearances at the United Nations with accompanying speech excerpts in honor of the first commemorative Nelson Mandela International Day.