

Find 2 examples each of King’s use of ethos, logos, and pathos in Letter from Birmingham Jail. Underneath each example, tell what King is responding to or making a statement about.

Kings Use of Appeals

Types of Appeals:	Ethos	Logos	Pathos
Quote:	<p>“I have the honor of serving as president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference..... organizations across the South, and one of them is the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights.”</p>	<p>“It is true that the police have exercised a degree of discipline in handling the demonstrators. In this sense they have conducted themselves rather "nonviolently" in public..... evil system of segregation..... I have tried to make clear that it is wrong to use immoral means to attain moral ends.”</p>	<p>“What kind of people worship here? Who is their God? Where were their voices when the lips of Governor Barnett dripped with words of interposition and nullification.....hatred? Where were their voices of support when bruised and weary Negro men and women decided to rise from the dark dungeons of complacency to the bright hills of creative protest?”</p>
Explanation:	<p>King is using this quote to show how trustworthy he is by saying he is president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He explains to the clergymen that he does a right to be in Birmingham. He is responding to the fact that they need him there in Birmingham to end segregation.</p>	<p>King uses facts from the police actions to show they are “nonviolent” only to the public. King uses great reasoning when it comes down to their actions and is basically telling them that they show not use temporary actions to get permanent results. He is responding to the fact that they are only doing things for the public eye and is telling his readers to not be fool.</p>	<p>King uses God to create emotions of sorrow. It seems as if they are supposed to be Christians, and King is saying that Christians do not do the things they were doing. Christians do not allow people to get bruised or say the things Governor Barnett has said.</p>
Quote:	<p>“I am in the rather unique position of being the son, the grandson and the great grandson of preachers. Yes, I see the church as the body of Christ. But, oh! How</p>	<p>“In any nonviolent campaign there are four basic steps: collection of the facts to determine whether injustices exist; negotiation; self-purification; and direct action.”</p>	<p>“Let us all hope that the dark clouds of racial prejudice will soon pass away and the deep fog of misunderstanding will be lifted from our fear drenched communities, and in some not too distant tomorrow the radiant</p>

	we have blemished and scarred that body through social neglect and through fear of being nonconformists.”		stars of love and brotherhood will shine over our great nation with all their scintillating beauty.”
Explanation:	He uses the fact that he is from a generation of preachers to show the fact that he is really into the church. He is also showing that he means good and peace only. He is responding to that he is coming in peace and just wants equality, not social neglect to the Negro community.	King uses the facts that come before a peaceful protest and is now ready to have this peaceful protest. He is responding to the reasoning behind this peaceful protest.	King uses words such as drenched, dark clouds, fog and radiant stars of love and brotherhood to express his feelings about racial prejudice. He uses these words of nature and compares it to the ending of racial prejudice. I believe he is saying that once we all stop being racist and love each other, we can all be better persons and love each other as Christians are intended to.

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