***James Lawson Biography #1***

[](http://www.authentichistory.com/1946-1960/8-civilrights/1954-1960/)

**Childhood: A Life-Changing Moment**

excerpts from *The Children* by David Halberstam (1998)

Pages 30-31

[W]hen Jim Lawson was about ten, he happened to come home from school alone. … She had been right: There had to be a better way.

Child protestor in KKK garb, 1956 - not the actual child who Jim Lawson encountered, but representative of the attitude he faced