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### Comparing “Lifting as We Climb” and “Votes for Women”

The slogans “Lifting as We Climb” and “Votes for Women” were both used a long time ago to help people fight for change. Even though they both wanted fairness for women, they showed different ideas about what freedom should look like. “Votes for Women” was about getting the right to vote, but “Lifting as We Climb” was about helping the whole community grow and succeed together.

“Lifting as We Climb” started in the 1890s in the United States. It was used by Black women, like Mary Church Terrell, who were part of a group called the National Association of Colored Women. At that time, Black people faced racism, and women did not have equal rights. Black women were often left out of other groups, so they had to work together to support each other. This slogan meant that as some people moved up in life, they should help others move up too. It was meant to inspire people and remind them to care about their whole community, not just themselves.

“Votes for Women” became popular during the fight for women to have the right to vote. Many women in the United States and Britain used this slogan on signs, banners, and posters. Women were not allowed to vote, and they wanted to be treated like full citizens. This slogan was simple

and clear. It was meant to tell everyone, especially leaders and voters, that women deserved the right to vote. It focused on one main goal: getting women the power to vote in elections.

The slogan “Lifting as We Climb” sounds caring and hopeful. The word “lifting” means helping others, and “as we climb” means growing together. It shows that success is not just for one person, but for everyone. It makes people feel responsible for helping their community. It also shows that Black women were strong leaders who wanted to make life better for others.

The slogan “Votes for Women” is short and strong. It gets straight to the point. The word “votes” is important because it tells exactly what women wanted. It makes people think about fairness and why women were being left out. Because it is so simple, it was easy for people to remember and share with others.

Both slogans are similar because they were used by women who wanted change. They helped bring people together and fight against unfair treatment. But they are also different. “Votes for Women” focuses on one big right, which is voting. “Lifting as We Climb” is bigger because it talks about helping others, fighting racism, and making life better for the whole community. One slogan is about getting into the system, and the other is about helping everyone rise together.

In the end, both slogans were very important. “Votes for Women” helped women gain the right to vote. “Lifting as We Climb” helped people think about caring for others and working together. Looking at both slogans shows that people can fight for change in different ways, and all of those ways matter.

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