## Standards, Critical Thinking, Reason and Common Sense

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"Political liberty exists only when there is no abuse of power. But all experience proves that every man with power is led to abuse it."

Benjamin Franklin – "Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."

In Sam Jone's new book, Five Steps to Kill a Nation, he forcefully argues that a republic cannot stand without a citizenry of moral and virtuous people guiding the cultural mores and checking the public servants when they stray from the principles upon which these United States were formed. These citizens must have a common and objective ethical standard on which to base their shared lives and prosperity.

Back in 1776, America consisted of a majority of farmers, ranchers, sheep herders, homesteaders, cattle and horses. If you farmed, you worked hard for your living and for your life. You learned common sense with each mistake you made while growing up. If you left the gate open to the pasture, the cows got out, and it took you an hour to round them up for milking. If you don't keep the barn manure shoveled out, you can just about die from the smell.

Today, most Americans live in cities. They do not learn common sense, critical thinking and/or standards. Over 60 percent

cannot perform reading or mathematics to the 8th grade level. Few comprehend a "hard day's work." Students today suffer "text neck" from bending down over their cell phones for four to six hours a day.

In the past four years, with the last president, ah, I forgot his name…because he forgot his name…we lowered standards, lost critical thinking, forgot "reason", and abandoned "common sense." The results exploded in the crime rates, drug overdose deaths, suicides into the thousands, shoplifting into the billions of dollars, stolen cars, thievery of all kinds, illiteracy exploding and another dozen problems. We lost the "rule of law" and allowed an invasion of our country like nothing ever before in history.

In place of critical thinking, politicians spun "political correctness" into WOKE, D.E.I., C.R.T., Transgenderism, men competing against women in women's sports, affirmative grading, and allowing men to pretend they were women by "identifying" as women.

American Thinker writer Robert Smith wrote, "In our dawning Era of Common Sense, here's some common sense. If you unchain junkyard dogs, you better be sure they won't bite you in the rear. Democrats are being bitten in their collective behind lately. Not just once but repeatedly. Siccing DEI and woke dogs on folks – those not them – is turning on them. [Dems are being devoured by their own kind.]"

Smith continued, "In today's hip, urban, dwindling Democrat Party, the dumb and untalented have been promoted while the best and brightest take back seats."

Talk about a loss of standards! Let's bring a national initiative to obliterate D.E.I. before America seriously declines into chaos.

You must ask yourself how did half the country vote for someone like Kamala Harris whose only qualification for the Vice Presidency showed up as "female and a person of color"? If she did reach the White House with such qualifications, it would have been a continuation of Biden's Alzheimer's Disease, incompetence and "someone" telling her how to run our country.

Let's face it, "DEI dictates that only the most superficial qualities possessed by humans' count. The focus is on skin color, gender, and fashionable sexual preferences. In practice, leaning on those superficialities has ruinous consequences. Innocents suffer, but now, so do Democrats."

What really happened with that helicopter and airliner crashing at Reagan National Airport? Was it D.E.I.? What are the bets we'll never be told the truth.

Let's face it: Joe Biden followed his figurehead presidency by following his wife…because the fact remains…Biden didn't know which way to exit the stage let alone any knowledge about the correct day of the week.

Common sense would tell you that we cannot not tolerate men who think they are women in our military. We need 'TOXIC MALES' in all our military branches to go out and kill the enemy. We don't need guys in dresses "dancing" with the enemy.

Common sense dictates that we need a man like Elon Musk to cull the enormous amount of theft out of the taxpayers' largess. And yet, when he brings his genius to discovering all the covert thievery, the liberal masses scream, cry, blow up Tesla dealerships, key Tesla cars, and make a mockery out of "law and order."

## MILKING THE GOLDEN COW TO OUR UTTER DISASTER

Smith added, "That doesn't sit well with the progressive walking dead — from D.C. lifers to academics to corporate welfare-ists to grudging bureaucrats to 159-year-olds in Social Security's database to rainbow-hued minions. USAID is more than a boondoggle. It's emblematic of the extensive money

laundering done in Washington. It lines pockets and is used to spread woke's warped gospel across the world. Saving the planet comes in a distant second to keeping the federal milk cows pumping milk. Let the arrests roll across the fruited plain like thunderclaps."

## TALK ABOUT WOKE DISASTERS ACROSS THE BOARD

The latest "Woke" disaster, Snow White, budgeted at an estimated \$250 million, but pulled-in only \$43 million last weekend, may prove the tip of Mariana Trench in terms of woke and DEI folly. You can't keep pushing men pretending to be women on Bud Light beer cans, or creating movies that do not jive with America's culture and mores.

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY), Maxine Waters (D-CA), Ilhan Omar (D-MN), Rashida Tlaib (D-MI), Hank Johnson (D-GA), and Jasmine Crockett (D for dumb) appear to be the next leading "WOKE" Congressional critters. Too bad all of them couldn't pass an 8th grade math test or write a decent sentence. If any of them gain more power, they will trash the U.S. Constitution.

While in office, democrats lower every standard to a point that there are no standards. Do you think that's any way to run a country?

"Whether it's a sheepskin in law or Third World pottery, either opens doors to the oppressed," said Smith. "Plagiarizing research is winked at if you fit certain categories. Ask Biden! Plagiarists are just striving to overcome historical injustices. Bullying Jewish kids on campus is okay. Hate speech is free speech, though when it leads to thuggery, well, it's still labeled free speech. Campus nannies turn blind eyes."

In the end, at least for this moment in time, enough educated/common sense Americans rejected the stupidities of "WOKE" and the rest of Democrats' non-productive platforms.

You rejected an unqualified female candidate for president. How would any of us have ever survived her snarky laughter for another four years? You rejected our country from being invaded. You chose the "rule of law" over the insanity of letting thieves walk off with \$900.00 in goods with no penalty. You rejected giving illegal invaders free hotels, food and medical care. You rejected endless drugs killing your children from overdoses. You rejected shoplifting by throwing the little thieves in jail for long periods of time.

Let's face, Donald J. Trump broke the wildfire of stupidities engulfing our nation in a mind-bending conflagration for the past four years. Today, we actually know who stands at the helm of the United States of America in 2025. He's already gutting the stupidities of D.E.I., which in itself is racist, unfair, stupid and unethical. When it comes to jobs like air traffic controllers, airplane pilots, doctors, nurses and the like, it's downright deadly. He's got the most brilliant mind on Earth digging into U.S. AID's fraud, cheating, lying and criminal financial activities on a scale unheard of in human history.

At some point in the next four years, we must "right the ship" of America. We must demand standards, common sense, ethical actions, and honest leadership by competent people in the Oval Office. We citizens want to know that our handywork and our taxes are spent to keep our streets safe, keep our borders secure, no more dangerous drugs in our schools, and some eggs in our supermarket coolers. We want our schools to teach our kids to read, write, work math, work computers, biology, history, health, sports and becoming a contributing American citizen via every kid's personal accountability and personal responsibility. Let's be proud of America and teach that pride to our kids. Let's send the 20 to 30 million illegal aliens back to their own countries to solve their own problems in their countries.

We've earned citizenship as Americans whether we are plumbers,

nurses, truck drivers, teachers, doctors, handymen, electricians, janitors, cashiers, construction workers, sewer cleaners, burger flippers or pizza delivery boys/girls. All those thousands of jobs that make America great are worked by Americans who make America viable.

We want ourselves and our children to "Live the American Dream." That means a fair shake by our elected officials. It means honesty, integrity and common sense. It means that Democrats need to get off their fat rear-ends, quit whining and support what most of us want-love of our country, our future, our way of life, our kids, our freedoms, our educational systems, our police, our firefighters, and everything that makes our country the single greatest civilization, ever, on the face of the planet.

"America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand." Mark Twain

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