

One Conservative's Thoughts on Donald Trump

For some time, beginning lets say in 2009, the Silent Majority has found its voice, albeit somewhat erratically and in less-than-desirably-sustained manner. That Voice has been critical of the Republican Party. The complaint against the GOP has been that it is weak in the face of Democrats, Progressives, and Liberals. The Elephant has been terrified of conservative values. The Republican Party has gone back on its word to take a conservative stand on almost ever subject, even after overwhelming election victories handed to it by its voter base. It seems that the GOP is happy with whatever the situation is handed to it and demanded by Democrats. When you get to a bottom-line inspection, it seems the GOP isn't much, if any, better than Democrats. Republicans are incapable of resolving the federal government's spending, size, and regulation problems.

Would You, the Reader, agree that in the halls of Conservatism there has been a demand for the Republican Party to develop backbone and resolve? Would You consent there has been a chorus of Voices demanding that the Politically Correct Kowtowing stop and an In-You-Face approach begin? Would you admit the Conservative Base has begged and demanded the GOP to tell the truth, to force truth into the public arena, and to stop apologizing for telling the truth?

So along comes Donald Trump and he does all of these things. Is it pretty how he says them? NO. Is he abrasive? Yes. Has he got everyone in the GOP running for cover? In the words of one individual, "You betcha." But the thing that astounds me is that along with that flock of old-hen chickens squawking and clucking as it runs for the protection of cover are a lot of the very "Conservatives" who have been amongst the Voices asking the GOP to stand strong. And I am not referring to just GOP politicians and hacks. Amongst the thundering herd of flapping feathers are a lot of the not-so-silent bloggers who in the past have complained about the lack of GOP backbone. There are beaucoup de, far too many, who, when it comes right down to the line in the sand, are not a heck of a lot different than the political types they complain about. They are all scared as hell of Donald Trump – for whatever their reasons.

Is Trump sincere about what he says? I think he believes what he is saying – watch his face when he is interviewed. Is he sincere in his candidacy? I do not know, but I think as much so as many of the others in the GOP herd.

Has he got an angle to his approach? I am fairly certain he does and in my opinion it is not what the pundits, bloggers, and GOP think, or want us to think. He is a darn good negotiator when it comes to business. Negotiation does not mean you lay your cards out on the table. Negotiation includes leading those who sit on the other side of the table to where you want them without their knowing until it is too late. For example, Trump started out so low in the Polls that he would not have been a part of any GOP candidate debate. But now his Polling is so high that the hosts of the debate cannot refuse him a place on the

debate stage. (Although you never know how dishonest politics can be.) In my mind where Trump intends to go will depend on what and how he says things during a debate. That is not to say he will not continue to be in your face with generalities. But if he begins to use facts and other information then the GOP elite and power brokers are going to realize that, "Houston, we have a problem."

Am I for Trump? "You Bethcha." The 'Leaders' we presently have are failing on every front:

- Our economy and jobs are busted. The CBO's Director, Keith Hall, told us that fact on 070915 in testimony he gave during a Senate hearing.
- China, Russia, and ISIS are clear-and-present dangers. None of the three respect the USA. All three are capable of and motivated to destroy us at the first opportunity they find.
- All 3 Branches of the Federal Government have disregarded the U. S. Constitution. The Executive Branch simply ignores the Constitution, the Legislative Branch has surrendered the very authority given to it, and the Judicial Branch has said the words in the Constitution mean whatever is convenient.
- In some ways our societal structure isn't too far from Mad Max. The meaning of marriage, citizenship, and much else has been entirely redefined. We are overrun by illegal aliens and with chaos. The crime that accompanies the illegal aliens is not excusable – period.
- Etc.

So yes, I am for Donald Trump. The rest of the GOP Field are the same mealy-mouth, PC adherents we now have in the Republican Leadership. I want a new approach. I want an In-You-Face, No-Apologies, No-Compromise support of the Values and Principles on which this Nation was founded. The very fact that Donald Trump seems willing to take significant financial losses and uncompromisingly maintain his position reminds me of, "... we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."