## Why Vote Republican?

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Originally, I intended this essay as a short explanation of why I think Trump would be a better president than Harris. Apparently, it got out of hand and morphed into a long rationale about the Republican Party. If I could say the same thing in less space, believe me, I would have. That was my intent!

This essay turned out to be a brain-dump of all the reasons I am a Republican. I believe our country is in a critical time, and therefore understanding the facts is important. So, I wrote this essay to try to lay out these facts as I see them. Am I correct? I think so. But I also recognize that I do not know everything and I may be missing or misunderstanding important facts. I've tried for many years to discuss these issues with an open-mind with many Democrats. Although I've found a few who are interested in name calling and personal attacks, I have not found one who would have a substantive discussion with me. I am left believing that they don't want to talk to me because they can't justify their beliefs. They don't want their beliefs disturbed.

If you are on the right (a Republican) and agree with what is said here, this essay may help educate others. If you are on the left (a Democrat) this may be good food for thought. I'd love to talk about it!

I definitely believe this essay could use a lot more supporting evidence. I had two problems obtaining this evidence as follows:

Much of the data I needed is either not available, too difficult to find, or clearly manipulated for political purposes. A good example is gun-related deaths. The left likes to cite this as a reason to get rid of guns. However, if you subtract out the suicides and legitimate uses (self-protection, police, etc.), you end up with drastically lower numbers. The left will tell you that few have successfully defended themselves with a gun, but they don't count all of the times someone pulls out a gun and the thief runs. These are just a few samples. I am not arguing in favor of guns right here. I am merely pointing out how difficult it is to get "the facts." So this essay is based on the facts I have concluded from a lifetime of experience, reading, and some research.

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#### 1 Morals

I'd like to draw a distinction between a person's personal life and what they do for you. It is true that President Kennedy slept with a stream of women in the White House while he was president. It is also true that President Clinton had sexual relations with "that woman," Monica Lewinsky. The list goes on.

Some of the things most people have done in their lives we find disgusting and things we believe we would never do. Finding someone with a spotless past is difficult.

No one I know condones the things Trump has done, and few appreciate his personality. But the bad things people do and have done throughout the United States and throughout my lifetime are very numerous and common.

Imagine you have two people offering to build a deck for your house. These are the features of each:

Person 1: Hardworking. Talented. Has a long history of success. Comes highly recommended. On his third wife. Has children with each. Doesn't pay child support or visit his kids. Is an alcoholic.

Person 2: Has never built a deck before. Has no experience doing anything similar. Has no referrals. Great guy. Everybody loves him. Doesn't drink or smoke. Has a wife, home, and a beautiful family.

Which do you want to build your deck?

I need not list all of the ethical transgressions Trump has committed since the media is happy to exaggerate them ad nauseam.

Let's not forget that Kamala Harris dated Willie Brown, who became the Mayor of San Francisco. While he was mayor, Harris became the district attorney for San Francisco. Sounds a little fishy to me.

While I believe neither candidate lives up to ideal ethics, and perhaps Trump is worse ethically, I am more concerned about what they can do for me, my family, and my country than about who they're sleeping with.

#### 2 Abortion

The United States Constitution lists all of the things the Federal Government can do and explicitly says that anything not listed must be controlled by the States. There isn't anything even remotely close to the topic of abortion in the Constitution. It is therefore clear that this is a State issue and not a Federal issue. Overturning Roe v. Wade doesn't mean abortions are illegal. It means it is up to the States. Despite erroneous reporting to the contrary, Trump has never made any effort to prevent abortions. All he says is that it is a state issue and the federal government should not be forcing the issue on the states.

You have a right to support abortion if you like. And you have a right to vote in favor of it if you like. You just don't have the right to force your view on the entire country.

## 3 Immigration

It is probably impossible to get the true numbers of illegal immigrants. First, they're hard to count since many escape all of our measures at documenting their entry. Second, the politics surrounding the issue are extremely strong and nearly impossible to get past. One thing is clear, however: no one is debating whether more immigrants came in during Trump or Biden. The number of immigrants

who entered the country without going through our normal processes while Biden was president is far, far, far greater than the number under Trump—perhaps four or five times the number. In fact, more immigrants entered the United States during Biden than the total number of people in more than twenty states in the U.S.!

The number of people in the world who are poor and could benefit from being in the United States is way more than one hundred times the number of people who already live in the United States. Given these numbers, it is absolutely impossible for us to make a meaningful dent in world suffering. All we can do is destroy the United States and the example we are to the world.

Already today, some local districts are allowing immigrants to vote. Imagine that! Who do you think twenty million undocumented immigrants are going to vote for: the party trying to stop mass illegal immigration or the ones welcoming them with open arms?

When Trump was in office, he:

- 1. Worked with Mexico to have their military help stop the flow of illegal immigrants.
- 2. Created a remain-in-Mexico policy that kept the illegal immigrants out.
- 3. Made a massive effort to build a wall to help minimize illegal crossings into our country (keep in mind, the cost of the wall pales in comparison to the cost of the immigrants).
- 4. Made every effort to export illegal immigrants who were criminals.

During Trump's presidency, the political left/Democrats:

- 1. Democrats in Congress voted against Trump at every turn.
- 2. Left-wing activist judges blocked everything Trump tried.
- 3. Predominantly left-wing cities created sanctuary cities that basically ignored him.
- 4. Created one made-up attack after another (spending millions of your dollars), such as the Russian collusion lie to keep him and you distracted.

Once Biden became president, with the full support of Harris:

- 1. They stopped building the wall and allowed what materials they had to go to waste.
- 2. They tore down much of the wall.
- 3. They killed the remain-in-Mexico policy and stopped the Mexican government from keeping the illegal immigrants.
- 4. They put Harris in charge of the border issue. She did nothing!

Because of those changes, millions and millions more immigrants flooded the United States.

While helping a very, very small percentage of the needy poor from other countries, we are destroying the primary peacekeeper and democratic beacon of the world, not to mention the society in which we live.

### 4 Global Warming

- Is our planet warming? Yes.
- Has our planet gone through severe cycles of very significant warming and cooling over its existence? Yes.
- Would our planet go through warming cycles without the existence of man? Yes.
- Is man a significant factor in the pace of this change? Yes.
- Does this change represent the end of man? No.
- Does this change mean man will have to adapt? Yes.
- Should we take this issue very seriously? Yes.

Few doubt that our planet is warming, that man is a significant factor, and that this is a serious matter. The problems are as follows:

- 1. Rather than being an environmental problem, this issue is being used primarily for political purposes. (Scientists and political leaders who have views and data outside the political narrative are silenced rather than being allowed to participate in the conversation.)
- 2. The societies causing the most damage are India and China, and due largely to economic reasons, they will not make significant changes. Without their cooperation, while we can destroy Western society, we can't solve the problem.

So, unlike the popular narrative, the political right is not blind to the facts and takes the issue very seriously. We're just frustrated about the political manipulation of the issue and the political silencing.

#### 5 Inflation

The average economic inflation rate under Trump was 1.9%. Inflation rates under Biden have been as high as 9%. What this means to you is that your cost of living has gone up significantly, yet your income has likely not kept up with this pace. This means your quality of life has significantly diminished under Biden.

The average price of gas for your car during the Trump years was about \$2.50. During the Biden years the price of gas in places has exceeded \$4 per gallon. While the cost of living under Trump rose moderately, the cost of living under Biden has risen at a rate seldom seen in recent U.S. history.

Under Trump, the U.S. was a net exporter of oil. This means we produced more oil than we needed. We were able to fill our own needs and sell some to other countries. Under Biden the reverse is true. We produced far less than what we consume and have to buy oil from other countries.

Why did all of this happen?

- 1. Under Trump, U.S. companies were allowed to drill for oil. Biden severely restricted the oil U.S. companies were allowed to drill. (You're not saving the planet if someone else drills rather than you. All you're doing is helping others economically rather than us.)
- 2. Due to the fact that all of the products we manufacture and consume take energy to produce and ship, and the cost of all of this has drastically increased, consumer prices went up correspondingly.

- 3. The cost to this country due to mass immigration is tremendous.
- 4. Trump tried to minimize the regulatory costs of doing business. Biden did the reverse.
- 5. The U.S. government provides an unbelievable amount of funding to left-wing private organizations. Biden and the left do everything they can to support their agenda and buy more support at your expense. While it is an uphill battle, Trump has done all he can to reduce this.

Given the political environment and power, what Trump can do about inflation is minimal but he has done all he can. Biden and Harris clearly want all of the things that will increase inflation and your cost of living.

## 6 Federal Deficit, Entitlement Programs, and Military Spending

Imagine not having enough money to live on in a particular month. What most people do is borrow money from their credit card to tide them over, assuming they'll be able to make up the difference sometime in the not-too-distant future. Every month that you have a credit card balance means that not only do you have to pay for your normal monthly bills, but you now also have to pay the interest on your credit card, making it that much harder to pay off the loan.

When the federal government gets money, it comes primarily from three places:

- 1. Taxes
- 2. Bonds
- 3. Printing more money

Bonds have to be paid back with interest, and printing more money just causes an invisible tax called inflation. Thus, taxes are the only non-destructive source of federal income.

The U.S. spends money primarily in three areas:

- 1. Running the government
- 2. Military
- 3. Entitlement programs and other giveaways

Given the size and effectiveness of our government, much of it amounts to little more than another entitlement program. For example, the Department of Education has over 4,000 employees yet performs no real function. Schools are controlled by local school boards, and all sorts of entities outside the Department of Education perform research utilized by these local boards. The existence of the Department of Education amounts to little more than a means for us to feel like we're doing something.

During the Obama years the IRS purchased \$10 million worth of guns and ammunition. When there is an enforcement issue, the IRS uses local police. Exactly what does the IRS need with guns and ammunition?

The point is that much of the cost of running the government is just feel-good, pay-for-support money rather than effective use of our taxes.

Having a strong military is the only reason we haven't been taken over by another country, period. It is not something an individual or a state can do. It must be done by the federal

government. This is a critically important expenditure and the only thing we have assuring our continued existence. The political left (Democrats) does all it can year-after-year to reduce this spending. In the face of tremendous resistance from the left, the right (Republicans) does all it can for us to maintain a strong military.

It would be nice if none of us had to work and the government could just print and send us money to live each month. The problem is, who is going to produce all of the items we consume each month? Who is going to stock and manage the supermarkets? Who is going to produce the electricity we use? You get it. We have to work.

It is true that some of us either cannot work or have an extremely hard time working. This includes people who are physically or mentally handicapped. Clearly, any reasonable person would agree that, as a compassionate society, we should do all we can to treat these people as compassionately as we can and provide them with adequate support of all sorts. No one is in disagreement here. The problem occurs when far too many people confuse a personal challenge with a legitimate handicap. Life isn't easy but it is a lot easier if you can get government support.

The Democrats desire to provide no end of entitlement programs. All they ask is that we vote for them. It sounds like paying for votes to me.

Another form of entitlements the Democrats use is twofold:

- 1. Provide financial and regulatory support to those private organizations that support them politically.
- 2. Utilize government resources to attack private organizations that do not support you.

The position of the Republicans is:

1. It is not the business of the government to support or attack private organizations regardless of who they support.

While many will argue that the federal deficit has gone up under both Democrat and Republican administrations, there are important things to understand about this as follows:

Republicans:

- 1. Try to increase military spending to assure a strong military.
- 2. Try to reduce entitlement programs.
- 3. Try to reduce government size and spending.

The problem the Republicans face is that they get insurmountable resistance from the Democrats in Congress, the press, and the public regarding #2 and #3 to the point that, essentially, the Republicans have given up trying. For example, when trying to enforce a balanced budget, none of the Democrats in Congress, the primary media, or much of the public supported this effort and just blamed the Republicans for shutting down the government. Since then, the Republicans have basically given up trying. Since the Republicans don't reduce #2 and #3 yet increase #1, our federal deficit goes up during a Republican administration too.

During a Democratic administration, they try to:

- 1. Decrease military spending.
- 2. Increase entitlement spending.
- 3. Increase government size and spending.

All of these naturally lead to a higher deficit.

### 7 Social Security

Despite rhetoric from the left, the right has no interest or plans to reduce Social Security benefits. This is something we all contribute to and have a right to. The left essentially lies about this issue in order to make people afraid to vote for Republicans.

There is an insolvency threat to Social Security. While there are many factors contributing to this, one major factor is government borrowing money from the Social Security fund rather than investing it. You can't grow your money if you're loaning the money to yourself! If we didn't have the federal deficit, we wouldn't have to borrow money from ourselves to stay afloat!

#### 8 The Stolen Election

Election fraud is a constant issue. Given the size of our country, it surely happens to one degree or another all of the time. For example, during the Trump / Biden election mail-in ballots in Republican areas were found maliciously discarded. Voting polls are required to have both Democrat and Republican monitors; yet in at least a few polling places, Republican monitors were forced to leave. The real question is whether it rises to the level of having a significant effect on election outcomes.

Generally speaking, those on the right vote on the right, and those on the left vote on the left. These numbers are pretty close. For this reason, those in the middle have a large degree of effect on voting outcomes. We are all affected by our environment. What do you think is going to happen if the vast majority of the mainstream media, news outlets, and public discourse channels (big tech) are explicitly promoting left-wing ideas and filtering out right-wing ideas? To this extent, that the election was stolen, there is no doubt!

Here is an interesting number. In the Biden / Trump election:

- 1. Trump won 2,362 U.S. counties.
- 2. Biden won 848 U.S. counties.

## 9 Destroying Democracy

The left (Democrats) like to promote the idea that Trump is Hitler-like and would destroy democracy. Let's look at the facts:

Trump shares these qualities with Hitler:

- 1. Trump believes we have the best country and wants it to remain strong.
- 2. Trump believes in our country controlling our country rather than other countries (the United Nations) controlling our country.
- 3. Trump is a strong leader.

Trump differs from Hitler in the following ways:

- 1. Trump doesn't hate the Jews or any other group.
- 2. Trump has no desire to take over other countries.
- 3. Although Trump believes the election was fraudulent, he has no desire and has made no effort to become dictator.

Thus, Trump is not Hitler-like and has no desire or history of trying to destroy democracy (really a constitutional republic). This is hateful rhetoric used by the left to gain votes from the ignorant.

### 10 Why Is Trump Hated So Much?

The left would have you believe that Trump is a radical lunatic who, left unchecked, would destroy our country and make another Nazi Germany out of it. Again, this is false rhetoric used to sway the ignorant. The truth is the political left fears Trump because he is not a career politician and they can't control him. They'll do and say anything to keep him out of power. A good example is the fact that the left paid to have a fake dossier produced accusing him of being a Russian spy. This caused unimaginable distraction and a huge expense to the entire government.

#### 11 Ukraine

The United States didn't like it when Russia put nuclear warheads in Cuba in 1962. We made it clear we were prepared to go to war to prevent it.

Ukraine is closer to Russia than Cuba is to us. Russia doesn't want NATO nuclear warheads in Ukraine, and they've made this concern clearly known. In spite of this, Ukraine was making constant efforts to join NATO, and the U.S. made it clear it was only a matter of time until Ukraine is accepted into NATO. That is why the war happened!

There are three superpowers in the world: the United States, China, and Russia. This Ukraine war is causing the following:

- 1. Russia and the United States are becoming less powerful due to their wasting so many resources against each other.
- 2. China is profiting by selling arms and other resources to Russia.

So, as the United States and Russia fight over and kill Ukrainians, China grows ever-stronger.

Many believe it is only a matter of time until the United States and China get into a conflict over Taiwan. Given what is going on in Ukraine, Russia is most likely going to side with China. Where does all of this leave us?

Trump is one of the strongest negotiators we have. If we can resolve the Ukraine issue, Trump is the best person for the job!

#### 12 Israel

Some interesting facts:

- Muslims control 12% of the livable land on our planet. (That is approximately 2.1 acres per Muslim.)
- Jews control 0.02% of livable land on Earth. (That is appropriately 0.33 acres per Jew.)
- None of the Muslim-controlled countries will accept large numbers of Palestinian immigrants.
- During WWII when the Germans were slaughtering the Jews, no country would accept Jewish immigration more than their peace time limits would allow. This includes the United States!

- No group can defend themselves unless they have their own country.
- Trump was a huge supporter of Israel.
- While Biden and Harris give lip service to their support of Israel, their rhetorical and financial support of Palestinians and Muslims is greater.
- Israel has made several offers to provide Palestinians with their own land. Each time they rejected it saying they want all or none. Essentially they want all Jews out.
- The Muslim-sympathizing world chants "from the river to the sea" meaning the death of Israel.
- There are many Muslims in the Israeli government, as well as business owners, doctors, and teachers. There are no Jewish government workers, business owners, doctors, teachers, or citizens in Gaza or the West Bank.
- Palestinians and Muslims restrict women and kill homosexuals. Israel and Jews do not.
- Palestinian children are raised to hate Jews and to believe that killing a Jew is worth more than their own life. Jewish children are raised to love all and to believe that all life has immeasurable value.
- If Palestinians put down their guns, we'd have immediate peace. If the Jews put down their guns, they would be immediately annihilated.
- Virtually all of the people in the United States who are protesting in favor of the Palestinians are on the political left.

The Democrats, while giving plenty of lip service to Israel, have deeds that don't match their words. Since Obama, Democratic administrations have given Iran and Palestine a total of 6.7 billion dollars! The Republican administrations during the same period gave Iran zero and Palestine 185 million dollars. Which do you support?

#### 13 Iran

Iran has made it clear many, many times that its primary mission is the death of Israel and the United States. Obama signed a deal giving them the right to build nuclear bombs after a ten-year period (after Obama left office). Trump took us out of the deal. We do not give them the right to have a nuclear bomb ever. Biden made a huge effort to get us back into the deal.

Iran is one of the largest sponsors of terrorism around the world, including against Israel and the United States. Iranian leaders have multiple times said that after Israel is destroyed, the United States is next! In spite of this, Obama and Biden have given tons of money to them. In fact, Obama gave them huge piles of United States cash in the final weeks of his presidency!

Democrats since Obama have given Iran around 4 billion dollars. Republicans — zero. Which do you support?

#### 14 Fake News

Republicans often cry "fake news." The left responds, "We don't know what you're talking about. Everything we said is true!" How can this be? Let me give some actual examples.

When Trump was president, I read the New York Times (one particular time). You must forgive me. I am repeating this story from memory. The title of the article was "Under Trump Many Taxpayers Are Receiving Smaller Refunds." The first six or seven paragraphs talk about average tax refunds, how people are now getting less under Trump, and how much many people depend on these refunds. In approximately the eighth paragraph, the article stated that the reason people are getting less on their refunds is that, under Trump, less was withheld from their paychecks. So, the government wasn't refunding their money because they never took it, not because Trump was keeping it. This is fake news!

The article isn't fake news because they lied. They didn't. The article is fake news because they misled all except those reading carefully and reading the entire article. All others would leave the article thinking one of the most authoritative news organizations is saying Trump is keeping their money.

The point is that although lying is fake news, it's also fake news if you omit relevant facts or, essentially, hide the relevant facts perhaps deep in the article. So, they effectively smeared Trump while never lying!

Another example. The left-wing press played a clip of Trump saying "you have a right to protest" when Congress was certifying the Biden election. What they did, however, was cut the last word. What Trump actually said was "you have a right to protest peacefully!" Fake news again. They didn't lie. They just gave you information that led you to believe one thing when another was said.

Last example. The press ran a clip of Bill O'Reilly saying, "The slaves were well treated." It's true. He did say that. However, if you look at the entire conversation, you'd see that he was having a conversation specifically about the building of the White House. The person interviewing O'Reilly said, "Slaves built the White House." And then O'Reilly responded, "Yes, but the slaves were well treated because they wanted the White House built well." The press clip was fake news! It is fake news because they told you enough of the truth to lead your mind to believe something that wasn't true.

#### 15 Gun Control

Guns are used for the following purposes.

- 1. Sport / target practice
- 2. Hunting
- 3. Collecting / investing
- 4. Self-defense
- 5. Defense against a foreign invader
- 6. Defense against our own government becoming tyrannical (from our perspective)

The Democrats ultimately want to eliminate all guns in public hands. The Republicans support the Second Amendment of our Constitution and support the right of citizens to arm themselves.

Personally, I don't care about the first three so I will only talk about the last three.

#### 15.1 Self-defense

It is already illegal to use a gun in the act of a crime. How would making guns illegal for all stop that? They're already ignoring the law!

If guns are made illegal:

- 1. Law-abiding citizens will give up their guns and become totally defenseless.
- 2. Criminals will be unaffected since they don't follow the law by definition. They'll still have guns!
- 3. Criminals will feel safer and be emboldened since the chance of their victims being able to defend themselves is reduced.
- 4. Crime would increase.

#### 15.2 Foreign Invader

Clearly this hasn't happened in a very long time. But that doesn't mean it won't! Having a well armed public best assures our ability to defend ourselves against a foreign invader.

#### 15.3 Defense Against Our Own Government

Now this is the real issue that is going on. Many, many governments throughout the history of man have become tyrannical and killed huge numbers of their own citizens who didn't comply with their lust for power and control. Few of those citizens thought it could happen to them!

Interestingly, often the first step that a government headed toward tyranny takes is disarming its citizens.

The framers of our Constitution were well aware of this. They designed our government with many checks and balances to best minimize the opportunity for a runaway government. A key piece of these "checks and balances" is armed citizens. When the citizens are armed, the citizens determine the government. When the citizens are unarmed, the government is in charge of the citizens. Most often force need not be used when the other side knows you have the option. When they know you don't have any means of defense, they can do as they please.

While it is very, very hard to imagine needing a gun for this purpose, it's best to have it if needed than not to have it when needed!

I've heard some argue "What good are guns against the tanks and bombs our government has?" While tanks and bombs are very effective in an all-out war with another country, they're of little value in guerrilla warfare. As examples, think of Vietnam, Korea, the Middle East, Hezbollah, Syria, and now Ukraine. Guns are very effective and one of the best tools in close combat situations.

One thing to add regarding gun registration: in the case of the public trying to defend themselves against their own government, having the government maintain detailed lists of who has what guns makes it trivial for them to collect guns at their whim. Giving the government a list of who has what guns is not too far from the public not being able to protect themselves. Also, while law-abiding citizens will have their guns on those lists, criminals won't!

#### 15.4 Gun Problems

The problems with guns are:

- 1. Accidental shootings
- 2. Illicit use (crime)
- 3. Defense against our own government becoming tyrannical (from our government's perspective)

I will cover each of these in the following subsections.

#### 15.4.1 Accidental Shootings

Yes, guns are very dangerous, and many people unfortunately die each year from accidental shootings.

Interestingly, many, many more people die each year from auto accidents! Should we be talking about banning all cars and going back to horse and buggy? At times, a gun can be more valuable than an automobile!

The way we handle automobile traffic is through teaching, testing, and creating laws to maximize safety. The same should be done for guns!

#### 15.4.2 Crime

Criminals use guns illegally to perform illegal acts. It is impossible to totally eradicate this. This is going to happen no matter what we do. All we can do is make crime as costly and difficult for the criminal as we can. Creating more laws against guns has little effect on criminals; it merely makes law-abiding citizens less able to defend themselves, thus reducing the cost and difficulty associated with crime.

#### 15.4.3 Our Own Government

Our own government is less fearful and less constrained when its citizens have no way of enforcing their will. Thus having an armed population is unwanted by our government. They will and have used any means to convince us to give up our arms. They do this by exaggerating fringe cases and minimizing cases that disagree with their narrative. They do this by exaggerating what they can do for us. And they do this by allowing school shootings rather than protecting our children.

(Why is it that one of the most attacked societies — Israel — has far, far fewer school shootings than the U.S.? They defend their schools!)

## 16 Not Accepting The Science

The left (Democrats) likes to accuse the right (Republicans) of not accepting the science. This is utterly untrue. The left has no monopoly on understanding or accepting the science. The problem is that the left has a huge history of manipulating "the facts" for their own benefit (see Section 14). Let me give an actual example.

Early on, when the question of global warming was less certain, an international group of scientists was assembled to determine the truth of and the extent of global warming. These scientists worked together to determine without a doubt that global warming is occurring, that it is a huge problem, and that man was the major cause. It's settled, right? No. Sometime afterward some computer hacker hacked into their internal email and published it. What we find is that several scientists disagreed with how they used their data and their conclusions. Several scientists who disagreed with their conclusions were fired. So, of course, they all agree if you fire the ones who don't!

The bottom line is that it is hard to take "the facts" seriously when those providing "the facts" are being controlled by political forces. They're more concerned with their careers than with "real facts." Given this situation, people on the right have become more skeptical about what the "experts" call "the facts."

#### 17 The Past & Present

Prior to 1980, what the Democrats and Republicans stood for is quite different from what they stand for today. While the truth of the matter is complex, most people's view of it was quite a bit simpler. It can be summarized as follows:

- Republicans represented the interests of the rich and powerful.
- Democrats represented the interests of the working people.

This is why most of our non-rich and powerful parents were Democrats. It made a lot of sense.

As things do, both parties have morphed nearly unrecognizably since then. In brief, here is what the parties represent today:

- Republicans represent the working people.
- Democrats represent socialism leaning towards communism

Think about it. The Democrats push for equality of outcome. This means those who work hard to advance themselves and those who don't end up in the same place. The only way to do this is to give tremendous power to the government so that the government can take from those who build and give to those who don't. Once people see that it doesn't matter what you do, you're equal, they stop trying. The Democrats push for socialism which creates a society that races to the bottom.

Republicans, on the other hand, believe in equality of opportunity. Republicans push to assure all people get an equal opportunity. Where they end up is a product of their talent, effort, and luck. They get to keep what they worked for. The Republican view causes a race to the top!

### 18 Who Are The Democrats

I've asked myself, who could possibly want to be a Democrat? Broadly speaking, I came up with five categories as follows:

**Stuck In The Past** This is the older group. They remember the old Democrat and Republican parties and can't imagine changing. They swore against the Republicans till their dying day. Words out of a Republican's mouth are repugnant.

True Socialists These are the people who have bought into the communist rhetoric. Like the communists before them, they have bought into and work towards the beautiful view of all people loving each other, working together, and sharing the world. The only problems with this view are that it has been tried and failed at the cost of millions of lives many, and every time before. While people need others, they live for themselves. If you look closer at their lives and disregard their token actions designed to make them feel good about themselves and tell other's they're a good person, what you see is a regular person who spends the majority of their effort just worrying about their own lives because that's what it takes to survive. Capitalism converts personal greed into shared gain.

**Family & Friends** All of your family and friends are Democrats. You'd rather keep them than lose them on principle.

**Politicians** The only group that gains power in a communist society is the politicians. They will do whatever they can to promote communist ideas to gain and keep power.

**Ignorant** Then we have the ignorant. These are the people who, rather than giving the matter much thought, buy into the rhetoric they've been fed. Things have been made simple for them. It boils down to two statements as follows:

- Republicans are bad people.
- Democrats are good people.

Are you one of the good people or are you one of those bad people?

#### 19 How Did Harris Get Where She Is?

Keep in mind that Harris didn't run in the 2024 Democratic primary. No one voted for her! Arguably, she was made vice president in 2020 due primarily to her DEI value and not any leadership, experience, or knowledge qualifications.

When Biden was running for 2024, he amassed around \$200M in donations. Due to election rules, if Biden stepped down, all of the donations would have had to be returned. However, since Harris was already on the ticket, they could keep the money if she ran. That is the reason Harris is where she is!

#### 20 Conclusion

We all want peace and to live in a peaceful world. The Democrats and their proxies (schools, media, big tech) paint a picture that is a flat out lie. While this may not have been true a lifetime ago, today the Republican Party offers the best path to peace and prosperity. The Democrats path must lead to economic collapse and the destruction of our society.

Harris represents the left – Democrats. Trump represents the right – Republicans. The choice is yours!

Additionally, a Republican president can't accomplish much if the majority of the House, Senate, governors, Supreme Court justices, and federal judges are left-wing Democrats. A strong Republican leader is most effective when supported by other Republicans rather than endlessly impeded by left-wing Democrat attacks. For this reason, voting Republican down-the-line offers the best defense against all the destruction going on in our country and abroad.

Now go out and vote!