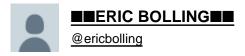
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This weeks "AMERICA THIS WEEK With Eric Bolling" monologue:

WELCOME TO AMERICA THIS WEEK ...

THERE'S NO SUGAR-COATING IT... LAST WEEK WAS TOUGH TO SEE... TOUGH TO HEAR...

AND TOUGH TO RE-LIVE AS MORE AND MORE DETAILS EMERGED ABOUT THE ATTACK ON THE CAPITOL AND THE LIVES LOST...

LOST.

BUT WE AS A COUNTRY HAVE TO FACE THIS HEAD-ON... THERE'S NO GOING BACK TO THE WAY WE USED TO BE. THIS MORNING, I REALIZED THAT EVERYTHING IS ABOUT TO CHANGE. NO MATTER HOW I VOTE, NO MATTER WHAT I SAY, AMERICA IS NEVER GOING TO BE THE SAME...

I'VE BEEN COVERING POLITICS FOR ALMOST TWO DECADES.. AND THIS MOMENT IN TIME... WE ARE FURTHER APART AS A NATION THAN EVER BEFORE.. AT LEAST, IN MY LIFETIME.. MY FRIENDS ARE SPLIT.. THE LIBERAL ONES WON'T TALK TO THE CONSERVATIVE FRIENDS...

"SEE I TOLD YOU IT WAS GOING TO END THIS WAY"... YA KNOW WHAT..? THEY WERE RIGHT. THEY HAVE BEEN SAYING THIS WOULD HAPPEN. MY CONSERVATIVE FRIENDS ARE STILL SHAKING THEIR COLLECTIVE HEADS.. WOW.. THINGS WERE GOING GREAT FOR FOUR YEARS.. WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED?...

THEY ARE RIGHT TOO... THINGS WERE GOING GREAT FOR CONSERVATIVES.. THEY GOT THREE SUPREME COURT JUSTICES SEATED.. TAXES WERE LOWERED... REGULATIONS WERE ROLLED BACK LIKE NEVER BEFORE SEEN. SO WHAT HAPPENED? AS A LIBERTARIAN, I SHOULD HAVE SEEN THIS COMING....

THE RIGHT WAS GETTING THEIR WAY.. WHILE THE LEFT WAS GETTING MORE AND MORE DISENFRANCHISED. BUT ELECTIONS HAVE CONSEQUENCES..

AND THE WINNING TEAM ALWAYS HAS ADVANTAGES.

I SAW THAT AS IT WAS REPUBLICANS TURN NOW ..

DEMOCRATS HAD 8 YEARS OF OBAMA AND THEY WILL GET THEIR TURN..

AGAIN....

WHAT I DIDN'T SEE WAS THE LEVEL AT WHICH THE STATUS QUO WOULD BE PROTECTED....

THE GRAVY TRAIN THAT IS THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM WAS BEING THREATENED...

TRUMP WAS A NEW TYPE OF POLITICIAN... A NON-POLITICIAN..

HE WAS CHANGING THE WAY THINGS WERE BEING DONE IN D-C...

RATHER THAN BEING A FRESH NEW START, TRUMP REPRESENTED A THREAT TO THE D-C POLITICAL ELITE CLASS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE.

FOR THE FOUR YEARS TRUMP WAS PRESIDENT, D-C WAS UNCOMFORTABLE... WORRIED THAT THEIR "GRIFT" WOULD END.

HERE'S HOW "THE GRIFT" GOES DOWN:....

LAWMAKERS SPEND OUR MONEY ON PROJECTS THEY SAY HELP MAKE OUR COUNTRY BETTER, SAFER, MORE EFFICIENT.

INSTEAD OF BEING STEWARDS OF OUR MONEY, THEY HAND IT TO FRIENDS OF THEIRS..

FOR FAVORS, FOR VOTES AND IN SOME CASES FOR DONATIONS TO THEIR CAMPAIGNS...

EVER WONDER HOW A CONGRESSMAN CAN COME TO DC... MAKE 100K PER YEAR AFTER TAX.... AND LEAVE A FEW YEARS LATER WITH TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, HUGE HOMES AND VACATION SPOTS AROUND THE WORLD?

"THE GRIFT".. THAT'S HOW.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK TOO HARD TO FIND DOZENS OF EXAMPLES...

OF THOSE "SUCCESS" STORIES. IT'S ALMOST UNHEARD OF FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO LEAVE CONGRESS AS A MIDDLE CLASSER... OR GOD FORBID.. POOR... JUST DOESN'T HAPPEN. EVER WONDER WHY...... I HAVE TO SAY.. DC... IT'S JUST A GROSS SWAMP. PEOPLE USING EACH OTHER FOR FAVORS.

EVERYTHING.... "EVERYTHING" HAS A STRING ATTACHED TO IT. NO ONE DOES SOMETHING BECAUSE IT'S RIGHT.. OR GOOD FOR THE COUNTRY.. THEY DO STUFF BECAUSE THEY'VE ALREADY NEGOTIATED A RETURN FAVOR.. "IT'S THAT BAD IN D-C FOLKS.. I KID YOU NOT" SO WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE US NOW?... IT LEAVES US DIVIDED.. IT LEAVES US AGITATED... IT LEAVES US PERPLEXED... WHERE ARE WE HEADED? POLITICALLY, THERE'S A LINE DRAWN DOWN THE MIDDLE OF AMERICA... THERE'S A LEFT AND THERE'S A RIGHT NOW.... THERE'S NO MIDDLE GROUND ANYMORE.. NO GRAY AREA...

IT APPEARS, THERE ARE NO MORE INDEPENDENTS. EVERYTHING IS RIGHT OR WRONG.. AND GOD HELP YOU IF YOU'RE WRONG.. YOU'RE LIKELY ABOUT TO BE CANCELED.. GONE ARE THE DAYS OF COMPROMISE.. OR THE DAYS OF EXPLAINING YOUR RATIONALE FOR SOME POSITION. IT WON'T MATTER..

THE OTHER SIDE IS 100% CORRECT.. JUST ASK THEM.

EVERYONE IS TAKING A SIDE....AND THE SIDES ARE PUSHING FURTHER AND FURTHER APART.. USUALLY I LIKE TO END THE MONOLOGUE WITH A POIGNANT STATEMENT.. OR A THOUGHT PROVOKING COMMENT..