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It is clear that a consequential portion of Republican elected officials hold a particular view of America which only benefits “their kind of people.”

It is a vision so anti-democratic that secure it through exercise of raw, brutal power.

So what is to be done...

Unequivocally and boot these opponents of liberty out of the Republican party or start a new one.

Accept the repentant, but don’t waste time trying to persuade the obtuse, arrogant and violent.

Remember who caved and never, ever, ever vote a Trump lackey into office again.

Make repair for the damage the party has wrought.

Extend and protect voting rights for all. Act in true democratic fashion and listen to the will of the majority.

Aggressively enact policies to disrupt white supremacist extremist activity. Disassociate from racists.

Do a deep and thorough accounting of your authoritarian, patriarchal, white supremacist history and remove from pedestals those who, covered their dehumanizing tactics under the guise of “conservatism.”

Look to your religious institutions and divorce from them any notions that the Republican Party is God’s party and that the USA is God’s favored nation.

Glean wisdom from faith communities comprised of marginalized people groups. Smash the idol of Christian Nationalism.

Diversify your information intake and refuse to let Fox News or even further right-wing “news” outlets craft a narrative unmoored from reality.

Withdraw support and ad revenue if your favorite media personalities traffic in lies, libel, and slander.

Tell your stories of how you came to yourself and realized the falsehoods you had bought into go what they were.

Talk about how deep you were in it and what awakened you to a new reality. Name names and warn others. Testify!

Sacrifice your jobs, your re-election chances, your gerrymandered districts, your favor with the wealthy and well-connected for the sake of justice.

And, of course, immediately remove Trump from office and prosecute him along with his cronies and enablers in the White House.

That much *at least* is required to carve a new path forward to a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, inclusive, and equitable democracy.

More on what to do here...
https://t.co/WMK68KmqkE
#HowToFightRacism

Will all, much, or any of the right steps be taken by Republicans to heal our democracy?

Likely not.

But it’s not for a lack of knowledge, it’s for a lack of Will.