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I think there is more than enough evidence now that had the mob reached Congress members of Congress would have been either harmed, held hostage, or killed. Let's keep that in mind as folks try to frame this as speech.

Sometimes you don't know what someone is really arguing until it's followed by action. If someone says "Pelosi should pay the price for treason" are they saying people should make that happen or saying a judicial process should be launched.

On the other hand, this is a group of people, a movement, that spent a couple weeks on Facebook saying Mike Pence would pay the price for treason on January 6, said at the event they wanted to find and hang him, then broke into the building with rope.

So we know what this means. And we know what it meant. And honestly given the history f the folks involved we could have told you before.

The point is that history matters. Certain comments from certain groups merit special treatment because those comments and those groups have a history of violence associated with them.