THE NEW DANGEROUS PROGRESSIVE TOOL: INVERSION POLITICS

Lawrence Jones recently interviewed a man who was participating in the latest fad – an Impeach Trump rally. When asked why he was participating, the man replied, “Because I believe in democracy.”

If this reason genuinely is why this fellow thinks President Trump should be booted from office, how did he come to the conclusion that President Trump does not believe in democracy. The answer is sadly simple: this poor soul has bought into the inversion politics of the left. What are inversion politics? Inversion politics is the progressives’ chronic blaming conservatives for progressive malfeasance.

Both radical Democrats and the mainstream media repeatedly have condemned the president for being a fascist, a racist, a bigot and every other pejorative conceivable so often that altogether too many of the unwitting public have bought this narrative hook, line and sinker.

So what, exactly, is democracy? Quite simply, democracy is limited government for the people and by the people. Democracy is based on a free market economy – capitalism – and in the tenet of individualism. Without those two components the American dream would not be possible. Democracy, moreover, is preserved under the rule of law and is steeped in Judeo-Christian principles.

So is Trump against all of the above? His record surely doesn't support that position.

But what about the progressive Democrats who want to impeach him?

All you have to do is listen to any one of the thundering herd of 2020 Democrat presidential hopefuls to realize they want to replace capitalism with socialism. They want the individual to conform to the needs of the group and, in turn, become increasingly dependent on a bigger and bigger government. This crop of wannabes aim to redo the Constitution and censor free speech. Well…censor conservative speech anyway. They challenge the rule of law at every turn, trample the Constitution, disrespect the right to life, and it’s become pretty clear they want to move toward a secular nation – yup, they want God out of everything. How so? Just look at how the Democrats are pressuring Barr to break
the law by giving them the unredacted Mueller Report. Take a long hard look at their recent reforms in abortion, reform which is tantamount to infanticide. And have you noticed the difference in pledging the oath to tell the truth? The phrase, “so help you God” has been omitted?

Yet the radical Democrats and our mainstream media have managed to convince so many people that President Trump is guilty of all these things. This back-asswards convincing is inversion politics and the progressives are masters in both its contrivance and its use.

What makes this weapon particularly nefarious and dangerous is that conservatives are cowed by it. They just sit back and let progressives get away with it. Inversion politics gets its impetus from Saul Alinsky. Alinsky is particularly known for teaching if you tell a lie often enough it, the public will accept it as truth. It’s the tactic of what’s now known in politics as “the wrap up smear.”

Ever increasingly progressive Democrats are using this technique because it's effective. Its premise underlies much of the fake news which feeds the public the progressives’ manufactured distorted view of reality. Just recently, for example, the mainstream media blasted President Trump for saying he hypothetically would listen to information on political opponents from foreign sources and, if the information were harmful, would report it to the FBI or to the attorney general. The media had a field day with his comments. They seized the opportunity to blame him once again; to accuse him of subverting America’s laws, and of colluding with enemy states. He was guilty.

In their reportage, however, they blatantly ignored the obvious: the president would have to listen to the information to determine if it warranted FBI investigation. But the inversion politics game has caused the mainstream media to become quite practiced at ignoring genuine newsworthy items in favor of toxic fluff. Were this practice not the case, they would have reported on how the FBI has tried to undermine the president for the past three years. They would have reported that his presidential election opponent, Hillary Clinton, sought and paid for dirt on Donald Trump from foreign sources. Having received the now famed Steele dossier, Hillary Clinton’s campaign never bothered to verify if anything in the dossier actually were true. Worse still, the mainstream media ignored the obvious: they
totally overlooked that the two-year Mueller report never probed the Democrats’ sins. Instead the 18 angry Democrats colluded with the FBI and Justice Department to help ensure these people are held harmless.

So let’s take a look at few other pieces on the progressives’ and the mainstream media’s inversion politics game board:

**Hillary Clinton**

In a recent commencement speech, Hillary Clinton announced to a graduating class that we, as a country, were witnessing an assault on the rule of law. She is absolutely *correct*, just not in the context to which she was referring. Uranium One, the deal in which the Clinton Foundation received $145 million for giving Russia 20 percent of America’s uranium, destroying emails subpoenaed by Congress, sponsoring a dossier of false information about a political opponent are all potential crimes. To date Hillary Clinton successfully has ducked the rule of law in each and every one of these instances. *Assault* on the rule of law is the *avoidance* of the law. It is worth noting at this point how this double standard currently routinely favors the left, which, in turn, serves to belie the avoidance.

**Michael Brown**

*Remember Michael Brown?* Inversion politics took hold in earnest during the Obama administration with this Ferguson, Missouri case. Michael Brown, who had a history of manhandling weaker neighbors, committed a strong-arm robbery and then attacked the arresting police officer. The police officer, after several warnings to Brown to stop, fatally shot him. Despite the officer’s being legally exonerated, President Obama and the left-wing media vehemently and *repeatedly* accused him of killing an innocent, unarmed man…an unarmed man known as the “gentle giant.” *In this remarkable case of inversion politics, the perpetrator became the victim and the victim, the perpetrator.* Over the next several years, other such cases materialized, all with the same outcome. While the police don’t always do the right thing in certain situations, it became fashionable to blame the police automatically. This chronic demeaning of the police and this undercutting of the rule of law, moreover,
have gone a long way in weakening our Constitution. Equally disturbing, this perpetrator-victim flip has given the Left a fearsome new spin on their weapon of inversion politics.

This role reversal of the perpetrator being portrayed as and subsequently becoming the victim even became the signature for the National Football League when players refused to stand for the national anthem. The players were portrayed as the oppressed victims. The fact that they were in violation of their contracts didn’t matter. The fact that NFL rules mandated their standing for the anthem didn’t matter. Once again the progressive media turned the perpetrator into the victim…inversion politics.

Charlottesville, Virginia

In justifying their hatred for President Trump, the Left has labeled him a racist, misogynist and bigot largely because he wants to uphold our immigration laws, because he wants radical Islamists and gang members barred from entering the country and because long time Ku Klux Klan devotee, David Duke, endorsed him. The progressives need to foment along these lines because the president has such a successful record. The radical Democrats, on the other hand, have only two things on which to run: socialism - with its mammoth spending plans - and a constant anti-Trump barrage comprised of contrived sins.

Frontrunner Joe Biden, in fact, has staked his entire campaign on doing the latter. In his announcement video, he jumped all over the Charlottesville, Virginia episode. The left used Charlottesville a couple of years ago to lock in Trump's white supremacist status. In Biden’s referring to Trump’s now infamous words, “good people on both sides,” Biden remarked, “With those words, the President of the United States assigned a moral equivalence between those spreading hate and those with the courage to stand against it. And in that moment, I knew the threat to this nation was unlike any I'd ever seen in my lifetime."

But let's take a closer look at the Charlottesville incident. White supremacists, normally aligned with the Ku Klux Klan, sprang from Social Darwinism and eugenics during the early part of the 1900’s.
They are, as history has recorded, racist products of the Democrat party. Today’s white supremacist leader, Richard Spencer, moreover, attended three liberal, progressive leaning universities and has stated his favorite presidents all have been Democrats. Did Duke and Spencer set up the president so the labels would stick to him indelibly? The truth remains to be seen. Regardless of the answer, Mr. Trump is the recipient of labels better directed at progressives…inversion politics.

It was Antifa, the far left anarchy group, who started the commotion in Charlottesville as well as other problematic episodes in several university settings since. The intolerance with which they demonstrate reflects the fascism they claim to oppose. They blame white supremacists for the type of behavior of which they themselves are blatantly and supremely guilty…inversion politics.

The fact is the two groups that had at it in Charlottesville on that fateful day were in reality two sides of the same radically progressive coin. Curiously despite Trump's condemnation of neo-Nazis, white supremacists and of the KKK, he has been excoriated for two years for having said there were “good people on both sides.” The president actually was referring to those who came to preserve a monument to Robert E. Lee, one of the greatest generals of all time. Of course, mainstream media elected to omit that fact to make Trump the villain, the racist, the bigot instead of accurately portraying as such those there who actually were villains, racists and bigots…inversion politics.

*The Mueller Report and Its Origins*

Perhaps the best example of inversion politics is the Mueller Investigation and its origins. Special Counsel Robert Mueller, was appointed to investigate whether or not President Trump colluded with the Russians to win the 2016 election. Shortly after Trump rejected Mueller as a possible FBI chief, he was appointed by an Obama appointee Rod Rosenstein in May 2017 to lead the probe. Mueller hired as many as 17 Hillary Clinton supporters as well as the lead investigator of the Hillary Clinton email investigation. From the beginning of the probe, the Department of Justice knew there was no “there, there” and that the probe was based on a fallacious dossier. Still Mueller proceeded with his biased crew. By March of 2018, Mueller's team concluded that there had been no collusion, but
continued the investigation, looking into extraneous areas to try to find some kind of crime.

We know the numbers: $30 million spent, millions of pages the White House submitted, countless depositions and interviews. And we know the results. No collusion between Trump and the Russians and officially no obstruction on Trump's part. Case closed. Well…at least it should be.

Democrats are in a panic to make the obstruction charge stick. And if they can't do that, they want to get the president on his taxes and finances…or on virtually anything they can. But their hatred for Trump is only part of the reason they need to do this.

By perpetuating the Mueller probe, the truth about Russian collusion surfaced. The collusion, however, was not about Trump and Russia: it was about Hillary Clinton and Russia. Ironically none of these underhanded dealings would have come to light had Clinton been elected. By trying to find dirt on the president, however, Clinton and the Democrats are emerging with the real egg on their faces. Consequently the Democrats have to defile Attorney General Barr and anyone else involved in exploring the origins of the Mueller probe before the truth comes out…inversion politics.

Robert Mueller doesn't want to testify before Congress because he will have to answer Republican questions about why he never looked into the DNC-Clinton-funded fake dossier, or why he didn’t explore the illegal FISA warrants Justice Department officials signed based on that document - a document all of them knew to be fake. As for the Democrat leadership in the House, Mueller’s not testifying is perfectly acceptable. Whom they insist on citing, however, is Attorney General Barr; and not even for failing to testify not before Congressional members. Uh-uh…they’re citing him for failing to testify before Congressional surrogates. Barr has been made out to be the bad guy for upholding the law and for not releasing the unredacted version of the Mueller Report…inversion politics.

Democrats, moreover, must dread the Barr investigations because they could lead to several indictments and criminal charges. If so, all of the plaintiffs will be Democrats. So sure that Hillary Clinton would win the election, the Obama administration knew and ignored the ongoing Russian shenanigans. The Democrats' schemes to stop a Trump presidency were broad-based and stretched
across the Obama-led Deep State.

For the past several years, the left has portrayed Trump as the perpetrator and the United States as the victim to his crimes and shortcomings. In all likelihood, the Barr investigations will reverse that painting and will prove Trump was the victim and the Democrat Party was the perpetrator.

The practice of inversion politics is both on the rise and dangerous. Republicans best learn how to turn off this spigot. With but few exceptions, most Republicans seem content to allow this strategy to play out. What is perhaps most troubling about this laissez-faire attitude is how Democrats are making inversion politics systemic, an actual ugly structural part of our government and politics.

Have you noticed lately how Democrats preface everything they say or couch what they say with “Upholding the Constitution” or “preserving the rule of law?” They want the public to believe that what they are doing is purely an effort to defend the Constitution and the laws that sustain it. But again the opposite is true…inversion politics. Progressive globalists do not have the best interests of the United States in mind. They want sanctuary cities and open borders. They don't care who or what crosses our borders. They claim to want transparency, but had no problem with Obama’s claiming executive privilege in the Fast and Furious case. When Trump, on the other hand, did not invoke it in the Mueller investigation, the president was obstructing. And while the progressives flog the president for his rude tweets, they condone the inciting rhetoric of Robert DeNiro and Maxine Waters.

During the Brett Kavanaugh hearings, Democrat senators pounded the candidate for 30 year-old allegations of sexual misconduct brought forward by an avid Democrat with uncorroborated evidence. Still the pounding ran rampant. But I wonder how many of those pious Democrats on that bully pulpit were among the 300 Congressional members who used taxpayer money to pay-off accusers and to hide – to this day – their real sexual crimes from the American public?

At the start of those hearings, Senator Dick Durbin questioned the candidate's legitimacy because he was nominated by a president who according to the senator, constantly violated the rule of law. Six months later Hillary Clinton in her less than buoyant recent commencement address wailed
about the assault on the rule of law. While both of them would like you to believe that Donald Trump abuses the law, can't they just once tell us who really does? But to do so, I’m afraid, would defy inversion politics.

Interested in learning more about the Barr investigations? Don’t forget I have a four-part article on this subject on my Blog - Food For Thought.