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## Trump Has Been Defeated, but Trumpism Is Alive and Ill<sup>1</sup>

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It's been a while since I felt morally compelled to write about the disgraced loser ex-President who staged an unsuccessful coup against America, but while Trump has been defeated, the plague of Trumpism is alive and ill. Spawning lies about the election and climate change, Trumpism threatens to end life as we know it as his Republicult lemmings attack democracy and cause our children's future to go up in smoke in forest fires in California, Australia, the Amazon and around the world. We must never mute ourselves to such toxic madness.

The Republicans have transformed themselves from a political party into a cult, which has cost them the White House, both houses of Congress and their souls, which they sold to the devil in 2016. However, even in defeat, Trump's "psycho"fans still rally around this cancer upon the body politic, which has metastasized among Trump's armies of the absurd, battalions of the brainwashed and divisions of the deluded who support voter suppression and trample upon the right of women to control their own body. These policies deny the right of Jews and others to follow their own religious dictates rather than legislative fiat. Trumpists want government off our backs and into our bedrooms.

As a result, people across the south are unable to access life-saving medical care because the hospital beds and morgues are filled with vaccine deniers and victims of "mask" confusion. Trumpists are afflicted with the fatal virus of ignorance, intolerance and arrogance, yet refuse to accept the vaccine of reason, which is free, effective and available to all. Trumpist candidates emulate their disgraced leader and vie with each other for who is the most boorish, seditious and unhinged.

Lest you consider me biased, read what fellow Republicans said about "the Don" before cultish "group think" took over and people were free to speak their minds.

I mean this is a guy that's taken Trump airlines bankrupt. Trump vodka, nobody wanted it. Trump mortgage, was a disaster. Trump University was a fraud. Has spent a career of sticking it to working people...I believe Donald Trump as our nominee is going to shatter and fracture the Republican Party and the conservative movement....The most vulgar person to ever aspire to the presidency... We're on the verge of having someone take over the conservative movement who is a con artist

**Marco Rubio**

Utterly amoral. This man is a pathological liar. He doesn't know the difference between truth and lies. He lies practically every word that comes out of his mouth. A narcissist at a level that I don't think this country has ever seen. A serial philanderer.

**Ted Cruz**

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You know how you make America great again? Tell Donald Trump to go to hell. He's a race-baiting, xenophobic, religious bigot. He doesn't represent my party. He doesn't represent the values that the men and women who wear the uniform are fighting for.

**Lindsey Graham**

Republican Congressman Anthony Gonzalez recently called Trump a cancer on the Republican Party and announced he will not seek re-election due to fear of violence from Trumpist vigilantes.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, who fled totalitarianism said it best, “Indifference to evil is more insidious than evil itself; it is more universal, more contagious, more dangerous. A silent justification, it makes possible an evil erupting as an exception, becoming the rule, and in turn being accepted.”

Most people don't have experience in deprogramming cult followers, where the admirable trait of tolerance no longer applies. Tolerating evil is immoral and cultists must be told in no uncertain terms that they are deluded and have lost their grip on reality to get them to snap out of it and rejoin the real world. Sadly, most liberals are too politically correct to apply such tough love and firmness under the false notion that all views, even the vilest, are worthy of “respect” and all religious opinions, even if lethal, are sacrosanct. This is a recipe for disaster as a lie can travel half way around the world before the truth can put on its jogging shoes; all that's necessary for the triumph of evil is for good people to do nothing.

We must not be guilty of the sin of silence. Rather, let us seek an intervention for Trumpist friends and loved ones to save them, America and our children's future from disaster and begin a new era where science, kindness and reason prevail.

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