

JUST MY OPINION

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I have a hodgepodge of thoughts running through my head this morning. We are still in America aren't we? Our country is in a tailspin with devastating results in our future if we don't pull up real soon. Biden gave his first somewhat of a state of the union speech last Wednesday to a sparse attendance of Congress. These elected people work in the chambers together constantly; however Joe had to put on a dog and pony show for the world by only allowing a certain number to attend due to COVID. His speech was a frightening glance at his vision for America. His vision was not as a moderate (which he claims he is) but portrayed his full steam ahead to socialism. From citizenship for over 11 million ILLEGAL immigrants, to loan forgiveness, to free child care, to free kindergarten, to free college and the list goes on and on. However he said the most frightening statement I have ever heard from a President of the United States. In his own words he stated, "Our Constitution opens to the words, as trite as it sounds, "We the people." It's time we remembered that "We the people" are the government. You and I. Not some force in a distant capital. Not some powerful force that we have no control over. It's us. It's "We the people." If that one statement doesn't scare you then you ought to check your pulse just to make sure you are still alive! "We the People" does not mean the government, it means us, we the people of America. Joe needs to learn that the Constitution was written to tell the government not what they can do but what they cannot do to we the people. When a group of people sitting in Washington D.C. decide that our constitution is theirs and not ours,

it places you and me in grave danger.

Another pandemic is raging through our country. This one is called unemployment benefits. Everywhere you go there are signs saying, "Need Help" or "Now Hiring." Fast food restaurants are closing their lobbies on a daily basis because of lack of workers. Production across the nation has been drastically affected by low employment. Even though Joe stated he has created over 100 million new jobs in America during his first 100 days (Ha) he certainly has not created the desire for people to get a job. There are a lot of lazy people that will not work as long as the government keeps sending out those unemployment checks. At the expense of us that do have pride and self-esteem and go to work each day these moochers sit at home and do nothing to contribute to our communities and nation. Here in Florida, these people can do nothing and collect up to \$575.00 a week! The increased incentive to do nothing and expect the government to provide you with everything has to stop. The bonus federal unemployment payments need to end now. Hunger is a great incentive to go to work. I am referencing the able, the disabled are 100% our duty to take care of.

While I'm complaining let me complain about one more thing. Litter! It totally disgusts me to see all the trash along our roads. Have some decency and respect for our county and our communities. I can't think of one good reason that one would have to justify throwing your trash out the window of your vehicle. I do wish stiffer fines were enacted for such behavior and more rigidly enforced.

As always...that's just my opinion!