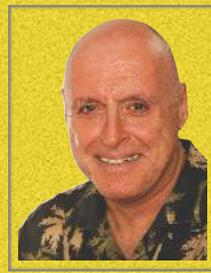


THE EXTRA POINT

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Are you someone who is capable of governing yourself? That is, are you a person who can be trusted to make the right decisions at the right time, in the right way, and for the right reasons? I'm Jerry Roberts and today, we cut to the chase, get to the point, move on down to the real nitty gritty to figure out who you really are. Strap yourself in for what's coming, next on The Extra Point.

Are you, am I, are we ready for self-government? Now, before you get the wrong idea that I'm taking this conversation into political waters and wondering if the people of Guam are capable of governing themselves in an effective and financially responsible fashion, the answer to that is I ain't goin' there, though it could be a by-product of the test you'll take in just moments.

Are you ready? Your ability to govern yourself is determined by one factor and one only — what you do with shopping carts, once you leave the store. It is known in the scientific community as the Shopping Cart Theory, and it displays the absolute and undisputed truth every time. Follow closely.

Returning a shopping cart is a simple task, and one we all know is the right thing to do. Not just that, it's also Biblical. If you search the Bible, the word "return" comes up 679 times, and that's no coincidence. I think God wants us to put those carts back where they're supposed to be.

Now, it's not illegal to abandon your cart. You won't be punished or ridiculed for leaving your cart wherever, but this is the ultimate example of whether a person will do what is right without being forced to do so. We're talking character here!

Unless there's an emergency and you can't push the cart to its rightful place, you must return it. And checking your WhatsApp

messages is not a qualified emergency.

I go to Home Depot and return the cart. I go to Cost-U-Less and return the cart. I go to Payless and I return the cart. Mama raised me to show respect. So many customers of those stores don't take the carts back and this reflects poorly upon our society.

Proponents of the Shopping Cart Theory state clearly that returning the cart to the store or to one of those cart corrals in the parking lot, is an act of kindness. Not just to the workers who have to round up the carts, but toward fellow shoppers who won't ding or scratch their car on a wayward shopping basket.

Unless someone has a physical ailment or disability which prevents them from returning the cart, not doing so could indicate a rebellious personality.

Do you see yourself as a leader or potential leader? True leaders return carts. Tell us, which of the 15 senators in the Guam Legislature do you suppose doesn't return them? You can leave names in the Facebook chat.

Are you ready to be self-governing? Are you ready to lead Guam into a glorious future? Are you ready to line up with the great achievers who have left their permanent mark on the world throughout the history of mankind?

If you've answered yes to these questions, you know what you have to do.

That's The Extra Point. Be careful, stay safe and make something good happen today. For 93.3 and the Ray Gibson Show, I'm Jerry Roberts.

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