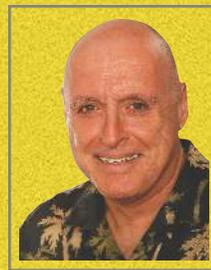


# THE EXTRA POINT

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## # 734 We Have Got a Lot of Work to Do

The events of the past 24 hours and the fact that we've all got a lot of work to do. I'm Jerry Roberts, and that's next, on The Extra Point.

Mobs of protesters breaking into congressional chambers, running throughout the offices of elected leaders. What's wrong with that picture? One got into Nancy Pelosi's office, stole a piece of her mail, then went outside and posed with it.

They were climbing walls, yelling and screaming. When I heard there was going to be a big protest on the day politicians would take up the vote to certify Joe Biden's victory, I never imagined people would try to bust in and interrupt the session. Should it be that easy to breach the security of Congress? Doesn't that bother you just a little?

Ashli Babbitt was an Air Force veteran, having served four tours in the military. She was shot and killed while trying to crawl through a window inside the building. She was a Trump supporter and a patriot, but she had no business being in that building.

What happened yesterday was wrong. One hundred percent wrong. Hold your protests outside, and let the world know you felt you were robbed in the election. Be angry, be loud, but you don't do what conservatives spent the whole year accusing liberals of doing, which is rioting and breaking the law.

So, what touched it off and turned people into lawbreakers? Tucker Carlson of FoxNews had a commentary that everybody — conservatives and liberals alike — should watch. I'll just give you the short version.

What happened yesterday is the result of people losing hope. For almost 250 years, America has survived all kinds of calamities. We've had ineffective politicians, bad politicians, and crooked politicians. We've

made it through because we always had the confidence that we could change things through this country's sacred election process.

We trusted that our votes counted, and it's really the only thing that has kept the United States from crumbling into revolution. We aren't a third world country. Our elections are secure.

Then 2020 comes along, and 74 million people now feel that the power of their vote was taken away. Then the Democrats won both seats in Georgia and now control the government.

There is nothing to stop them from embarking on the massive changes they have threatened, if they were to sweep Congress and the White House. So, fueled by fear, anger, confusion, and frustration, protesters went too far.

For me, the worst part of this is the undeniable and absolute division that exists. There are two Americas, and fewer people in the middle, the moderates, than perhaps at any time in our history.

People see every issue through partisan lenses, and don't give an inch to the other side. If they don't believe what I believe, then they are fully and completely wrong.

I see it in Facebook posts of people I've considered as my friends, some for 40 years or longer. The Trump supporters are rioters and criminals, and should all be locked up. Yet, the liberals who burned and looted cities from coast-to-coast over the summer were heroes in their opinion, and totally justified in their anger and destruction. This is only one issue is a bubbling brew of many that separate us.

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There are a number of major issues that lead to beliefs, actions, and how we treat people who don't think the way we do. This means that the division that runs deeper than the Marianas Trench is not going to end anytime soon. It's here and we're going to have to deal with it.

You have friends, maybe you're thinking former friends, who you think have lost their minds in supporting him, them, and what? Find some common ground. Something you both can agree on.

Stay out of the politics for a while and work on the stuff that brings you together. It's a start. After a while, maybe you'll find something else to agree on. Maybe not.

We all need to be generous with others, kind and understanding, and we need to accept the fact that it's unlikely we will change the minds of those who disagree with us.

No amount of badgering somebody will serve to change their mind. The only thing that can and will is how we treat them.

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

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