

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.: To Heal the Great Divide

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It has been fifty-five years since **Senator Robert F. Kennedy** stepped onto the presidential nominating stage to try to mend the massive breach that had opened in American society. The country was torn asunder by the Vietnam War, racism, poverty, the assassination of President Kennedy and the soon-to-be assassination of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Chaos reigned as Lyndon Johnson lied and Richard Nixon matched him in verbal and actual treachery. A war between Middle America and the elites running the government was breaking out across the country. A great divide between whites and blacks, rich and poor, the working class and the upper class was opening wide. The Tet Offensive had just ripped the face off the official lies about the course of the war in Vietnam and the emperor, Lyndon Jonson, stood naked and would soon announce that he would not run again.

On March 16, 1968, Senator Kennedy declared his candidacy with these words:

I do not run for the presidency merely to oppose any man but to propose new policies. I run because I am convinced that this country is on a perilous course and because I have such strong feelings about what must be done, and I feel that I'm obliged to do all that I can.

I run to seek new policies – policies to end the bloodshed in Vietnam and in our cities, policies to close the gaps that now exist between black and white, between rich and poor, between young and old, in this country and around the rest of the world.

By the end of 1968, a plague year if there ever were one, Richard Nixon, together with his goon squad, prepared to occupy the White House, Vietnam raged on, and everything King and Kennedy stood for seemed lost. Ignorance, vituperation, and the divide-and-conquer technique long practiced by the power elites set into the body politic like a deadly cancer. Something died, all hope seemed lost, and the perilous course RFK spoke of was never stopped. Jackals with polished faces have sat in the White House ever since.

Today hope is resurrected. Enter **Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.** center stage who will declare his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for president on Wednesday, April 19, in Boston, Massachusetts.

The wheel of history has turned and 2023 resembles 1968 in many ways while getting worse in others. The divide in the country remains but has greatly widened. The CIA and the intelligence agencies totally control the mainstream media now. The Pentagon's budget has increased exponentially. The U.S. wages a savage war against Russia in Ukraine under the blatant lie of defending freedom while supporting Nazis and greatly risking nuclear war. It provokes war with China. Permanent war is government policy with military bases and CIA and special forces all over the world, waging semi-clandestine wars, or maybe just wars that people don't want to know about. The gap between the rich and the poor has widened while the elites mock working class people as moronic deplorables. The Department of Defense controls the development, manufacturing, clinical testing, supply, production, and distribution of the mRNA vaccines, while the criminal pharmaceutical companies reap obscene profits. Lies are piled upon lies in what amounts to an Orwellian nightmare. And while LBJ and Nixon have been replaced by Joe Biden, the warfare state roll on.

Some things have changed, of course. In 1968, liberals were turning against the U.S. war against Vietnam and were growing wary of the CIA. Today they support all the Democratic-led wars and love the CIA. They trust the obvious media lies and those of a proven liar such as **Anthony Fauci.** Nowhere is this sadly truer than with the extended Kennedy family, who in their support for Biden, Fauci, the CIA, etc. have betrayed JFK and RFK. Their smugness and support for Biden against their brother who is carrying on his uncle's and father's legacy is betrayal of the worst kind.

Despite a family actively opposed to his candidacy, despite all the media lies about him, and despite the odds makers giving him little chance, RFK, Jr. is entering the race. It is an act of supreme moral courage.

Like his father in '68, he is the only candidate who can heal this nation's great divide.

That he is opposed by a huge array of people who will lie about him because he is a truthteller does not deter him. Those lies immediately started up again as soon as word got out that he might run. It's an old story.

Trash will be thrown at him. Every blemish of his nearly seventy years will be dredged up to paint him as a villain, a flawed man, a hypocrite – name all the negative terms you can think of and the real hypocrites, in their self-righteous rage, will use them against him. They will bounce off him. He is ready.

When Bobby, Jr. was young, his father handed him a book and said with urgency, "I want you to read this." It was Albert Camus's *The Plague*. He read it and it has informed his life ever since. Just as in 1968, we live in plague times, and the plague is US, it runs through all our institutions and, as in Camus's books, the rats are running wild, devouring truth and the values that can redeem us. As he has written in his beautiful and important book, *American Values: Lessons I Learned from My Family*, Camus's analysis of Sisyphus and the ancient Greeks has taught him an important lesson:

It is neither our position nor our circumstances that define us, according to the Stoics, but our response to those circumstance; when destiny crushes us, small heroic gestures

of courage and service can bring us peace and fulfillment. In applying our shoulder to the stone, we give order to a chaotic universe. Of the many wonderful things my father left me, this philosophical truth was perhaps the most useful. In many ways, it has defined my life, and has allowed me to find serenity and purpose even in the most trying and tragic circumstances. (p.287)

Despite its brilliance, *American Values* (see this) was completely ignored by the mainstream press. Why? *Because it* revolves around "Chapter 9, Senator Robert F. Kennedy" and the long war between the Kennedys and the CIA that resulted in the deaths of JFK and RFK. In this chapter, RFK, Jr. brilliantly shows that he fully grasps the CIA's evil history. All the other chapters, while very interesting personal and family history, pale in importance. No member of the Kennedy family since JFK or RFK has dared to say what RFK, Jr. does in this book. He indicts the CIA. This is probably not a small part of his extended family's animosity toward him. Family taboos must be protected, as if they were state secrets.



But his indictment of the CIA is the fundamental reason why it and the media will at all costs try to prevent him from getting the nomination. The character assassination will be intense.

Kennedy knows he faces an uphill battle for the presidency, but no matter what forces are aligned against him, political and familial, he will not back down.

He will surprise all the pundits, for his appeal crosses party lines. He is tough and very smart. He has been so hated and falsely maligned by the mainstream media for so long that he is skilled at keeping to his message, which I think will be positive and inspirational, something that this country is desperate for after so many years of lies and treachery.

Even Biden's supporters in the Democratic party know he is a flawed candidate on his last legs, laboring to keep his words straight and his steps solid. While he may have long served as the establishment's war puppet, there are many nervous Democrats who want to finally cut their strings with him. And the Republicans are a party in disarray, internally torn and tired of the Trump saga which will not end.

Two clowns don't make for a pretty picture running the country and the world into the ground. Biden and Trump and their predecessors are naked now and not just does one boy see it and shout it only to be ignored. There is a growing feeling throughout the country that truth and goodness spoken clearly are desperately needed to unite the country through common values. Bob Dylan got it right back a few years:

While preachers preach of evil fates
Teachers teach that knowledge waits
Can lead to hundred-dollar plates
Goodness hides behind its gates
But even the president of the United States
Sometimes must have to stand naked

Every day Americans are bombarded with bad news: the U.S. war against Russia via Ukraine, the lies about the "threats" from Russia and China, the collapsing economy, toxic spills, gun violence, corporate gangsters ripping off the average American and funneling those monies to the politicians who pimp for them, the egregious Covid-19 and "vaccine" lies that are daily being exposed as deadly frauds, the growing threat of nuclear war, etc.

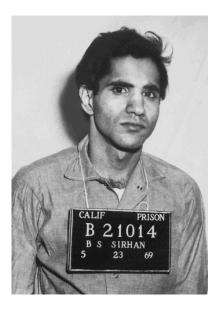
Bad bad news, and with it a growing public sense of hopelessness. A pall of unacknowledged depression smothers the country. People are dying for hope, as they were in 1968. In their inner hearts there is this desperate yearning for one brave soul to stand up and tell Americans the truth about what has happened to their country. Bobby Kennedy, Jr. is the only one who can move Americans to hope again.

For years he has been telling harsh truths that many who profit from the lies do not want to hear. That our waters are polluted and the chemical companies are criminals; that the pharmaceutical companies are criminal enterprises polluting people's bodies; that the CIA is organized crime polluting people's minds and assassinating its anti-war leaders; that the Pentagon is a criminal enterprise not defending but risking American's lives and their livelihood; that the U.S. government has joined with mega-corporations to run a Mob-like fleecing of the American people; that not one of Sirhan Sirhan's bullets killed his father, Senator Robert Kennedy, who was shot from behind at close range by a CIA hit man; that the so-called Covid vaccines are very dangerous and have never been appropriately tested and many people are dying and being injured as a result; that Anthony Fauci is a liar and fraud who fronts for Big Pharma (see this) in the Covid-19 crisis that is an intelligence-run operation controlled by spooks working with medical technocrats; and that we are close to losing our country and any semblance of its democratic ideals.

These are not liberal or conservative positions. They are self-evident conclusions of a patriot, as they should be for everyone.

And because they have become such to more and more Americans who can think without reacting, Kennedy's voice and his candidacy will grow in strength across the great divide.

The media attacks will be intense and simply full of lies. They love to call him an "anti-vaxxer," when he is not opposed to all vaccines. But no matter how many times he has explained this, the media twist it to serve their masters.



For example, *The New York Post* recently published <u>a slimy piece</u> that could serve as a template for all the propaganda aimed at Kennedy. Let me quote:

Robert has said Sirhan did not actually participate in the murder of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy during a Los Angeles presidential campaign stop in 1968.

This of course is a lie. RFK, Jr. has said that Sirhan fired a pistol but none of his bullets hit the Senator. He has said a CIA hit man shot his father at close range from behind as the official autopsy clearly showed, while Sirhan was standing in front of the Senator.

Lie number two. The Post writes:

In it [a speech], he implied that those who oppose vaccines are being persecuted more severely than Anne Frank, the German teen who hid from the Nazis in Amsterdam before being sent to her death at Auschwitz.

He never implied that. His point was clear: that in the coming digital surveillance state there will be nowhere to hide, not even in an attic, because the surveillance technology will track everyone everywhere, day and night.

These are but a few examples. Look and you will find them everywhere now and in the coming days.

The hyenas with polished faces will try like hell to dismiss Robert f. Kennedy, Jr. as a flake, a fraud, and a conspiracy nut on an ego-trip. Too many people can now see through such propaganda. He is the real thing, our best hope to bridge the great divide that has been created by the elites to divide the American people.

He will not back down, and all people of good will who believe the U.S. can still find its way out of the morass we find ourselves in, should back him up. He has warned us, he has given us his voice, and his moral courage should be followed by all who hope to hope.

The pundits who dismiss his chances will then be shocked.

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