

Better Men

“I knew a lot of people like him [Vance]. When I got to Harvard, I found a lot of people like him who would say whatever they needed to get ahead.”

- Pete Buttigieg

Like Mayor Pete, I also know a lot of men like JD Vance.

These are the men that speak one way in the board room, another way in the locker room. Men that pray in church on Sunday, then prey on women and children the rest of the week. Men that bid on the big ticket items at charity galas in front of their friends, but don't follow thru. Men that have never volunteered at a food pantry, officiate at the Special Olympics, or help out at a senior center. But they will tell you they have.

These are the men that sidle up beside you and tell an off-color, racist or sexist joke. Men that cheat at golf and on their wives. Men that pad their resumes, exaggerate their accomplishments, then complain that others became successful because they were related to the boss, kissed ass, or slept their way to the top.

These men are called *poseurs*. Also known as 'impostors,' 'operator's,' 'quacks,' 'frauds,' 'tricksters,' 'scammers' and soon to be known by a new vocabulary word, 'trumpsters'.

I also know another type of man.

These are the kind of men that are never crude or crass, whether in the board room, the locker room or anywhere else. Men that may or may not attend church, they just don't talk about it. Men that silently give of their money, their time and expertise helping less fortunate people however and whenever they can.

These are the men that hold the high ground. That do not tolerate the off-color, racist or sexist remark; but don't lecture, they just walk away. They don't cheat at anything, even when no one else is looking. They help the non-privileged, applaud effort, celebrate the success and accomplishments of others.

These men are called *first class*. Also known as 'elite,' 'wonderful,' 'elegant,' 'select,' 'exceptional' and 'rare'.

They are the better men.

Most men I know have attributes of both these types of man. They aspire to be the better man, but sometimes fall short.

Hopefully in this election, the better men, and men that aspire to be better, do the right thing.

Vote for the woman.

“The only guide to a man is his conscience; the only shield to his memory is the rectitude and sincerity of his actions.”

- Winston Churchill

That's all I'm sayin'

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