

How Two Parties Can Take Away¹ Opposite “Facts” From the Exact Same Phenomenon²

The first, First Principle of rationality, known as the *Law of Non-Contradiction*, states that in no case can contradictory propositions both be true in the same way at the same time.³ Yet in actual life situations involving people, it is not expected in a Court of law that separate witnesses under official examination will exactly agree as to what they saw or heard. The reasons for diversity of perceptions are often entirely innocent due to such factors as imperfect memories, perspectival differences that hinder their capacity to witness the event under consideration thoroughly, the degree of distraction experienced by the viewer due to competing sensations, and so for and so on.⁴ Experts in Law are trained to evaluate the discrepancies so that they can discern the truth of the occasion being examined.

What this essay seeks to address instead are the circumstances specifically described in my title. The roster of disputes which are paralyzing our society/nation these days include such questions as:

- (1) Did Donald Trump instigate the protest at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?
- (2) Did the nightly protests of the Summer of 2020 also include a significant amount of heavily destructive *rioting*?
- (3) Can the efficacy of these protests be connected with the will of Democrat party officials?
- (4) Was Donald Trump’s policy over the Mexican border both effective and received positively by our southern neighbors during his administration?
- (5) Was Donald ineffective, or effective, in facing the Covid19 onslaught?
- (6) Are the United States in a position to sever our present energy policy and set in place the “Green New Deal right now?”
- (7) Do current public *social mandates* on questions of gender fulfill Biden’s stated mandate, “*Follow the Science*”?
- (8) Does the present philosophy and policies of the Biden Administration as a whole further the Constitutional principles of the United States of America? Or do they abort that vision?
- (9) Were the grounds for Donald Trump’s political foes’ alienation against him during the recent and election cycle due to his alleged moral “transgressions?”, or instead for his determination to “clear the swamp” of anti-American policies practices being exercised by corporate economic giants against the economic interests of the USA? (Tucker Carlson, 04-16-2021)
- (10) Since, as I recently concluded from a statement by Chuck Schumer that dictates by the Democrat party are the new decisive moral code of our day.⁵

There are bodies of evidence for each and every one of the above questions and concerns that have the capacity to unambiguously answer them all.

One dismisses the relevance of truth
One or both refuse to look at the facts

¹ I prefer to use the term “take away” instead of “perceive” because in certain cases I judge the so-called “perception” to be pragmatic.

² Jesus of Nazareth in John 9:39

³ <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/contradiction/>

⁴ Simon Greenleaf. *Testimony of the Evangelists: The Gospels Examined Under the Rules of Evidence*, 1846. (Kregel Classics, 1995), pp. 28-31.

⁵ Fox News. *Tucker Carlson*. 04/22/2021.