

AN ORDINARY MAN IN AN EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION.

Part 3 - Restoration

ifty years ago it was unthinkable that people with the values of Jeremy Corbyn or Boris Johnson would lead major political parties. Our country is divided and our politics broken. People need vision, not a televised Punch and Judy show. Many have lost faith in politics and worse still, lost faith – period. Yet in this General Election everyone should vote because this may be the last opportunity to restore Britain's democracy and traditional values. We've read about antisemitism in politics and leaders whose own friends and colleagues don't believe are worthy of our trust. Truth and integrity were once the benchmark of our culture.

Evidence is all around us of a society and government in decay. Family breakdown, an epidemic of mental health issues amongst the young, the elderly needing to sell their homes to fund social care, longer waiting lists and a struggling NHS. Poverty, homelessness, the list goes on. How did we get here as a society and how do we begin the restoration?

The Britain I grew up in was in essence a Christian nation. As a matter of indisputable historical fact our system of democratic government, of education and our laws all had their basis in the Hebrew scriptures of the Bible. For the generation which survived World War II it would have been unimaginable that Britain would lose its Christian values and moral compass.

As Greg Sheridan wrote in 'The Spectator' "The vast majority of human beings who have ever lived, and the vast majority alive today, believe in God. The European Union famously declined to make any mention of Europe's Christian inheritance when it produced a quasi-constitution. If the EU holds the good parts of European history in contempt, it's not surprising people are losing faith in the EU."

This is a dangerous moment for Britain. Ignoring the 17.4 million who voted to leave the EU risks trashing a constitutional framework, itself based on Christian values which kept us free from the tyranny and totalitarianism seen on the European continent.

So what are my views?



On Social Care:

After a lifetime of contributing to our society, no-one should have to lose their home to fund social care. Support workers need a decent living wage. We need to keep investing in this essential and treasured public service.

On Climate:

Growing trees here and overseas to burn in local power stations is crazy. We should grow trees to absorb CO2 and invest in harnessing the limitless potential of tidal and hydro-electric power which in itself would bring a huge economic stimulus to our manufacturing industries.

On the Economy:

Freed from EU state aid rules, we can invest in strategic industries like steel, railways and defence to create thousands of jobs. Replacing business rates with a simpler system will assist small High Street retailers and leisure operators outside the M25, with any reductions funded by an online sales tax.

On Education:

Our future depends on improving education for young people. Let's invest in a new workable apprenticeship scheme to meet industry's future requirements, abolish student loan interest and provide retraining to make future employment more obtainable.

I hear the Brexit Party will soon become the Reform Party. A vote for me is a vote for reform - to say no to lies, deceit and the prevailing culture of political correctness, to the decline in the moral fabric of our nation and the role of the family in society. Let York send a shockwave to Westminster. We want our country and our way of life back. Tomorrow, let's change politics for good.

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