

Lead by Example. Lead Yourself. Lead the World. A Salute to Fallen Patriot – Lt. Col. Chris Graham, USMC (Ret)

KEVIN'S REFLECTIONS:

This is a deeply personal Economic Battle Plan[™]. Brilliant colleagues lost, and I will reflect on the past year – some of the successes we've had and some of the losses that we've suffered, not to mention that it's been a strange time in America. Maybe it's just because I'm getting older and I'm losing friends and relatives. Maybe it's because we just suffered through a pandemic and there's a lot of loss that has come from that. Or maybe because we're facing a seriously rough economy.



There are some people who have been with us along the way in this journey, helping to protect our money in the economic war and fighting to protect our nation's families. We've suffered losses when great patriots have passed on.

I think of my friend **Phil Haney** who wrote: "See Something, Say Nothing: A Homeland Security Officer Exposes the Government's Submission to Jihad." (<u>https://www.amazon.com/See-Something-Say-Nothing-Governments/dp/1944229205</u>) Phil was a whistleblower in the government.





Herman Cain, a great businessman. He was a candidate for president. He was a guest on the Economic War Room[®] – he shared the value and importance of free markets and free enterprise and right political thought.



Bishop Harry Jackson, also a guest on the Economic War Room, was a tremendous man that was helping in urban areas.

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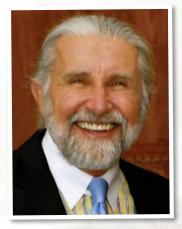
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Richard W. Headrick was a good friend and a guest on Economic War Room. He was an extraordinary soul with an unsur-passed zeal for life and a passion for Jesus Christ. Though he was many things to many people, he was best known as the most wonderful husband in the world and a great friend, a public speaker, filmmaker, author, President and CEO of seven corporations, the founder of The Hope Foundation, The Good Samaritan Foundation, Hellfighters International and Mission At The Cross, and he served on several national and international ministry boards. He and Gina, his wife of 27 years and partner in everything, were based in Laurel, MS. In addition to their extensive evangelistic work here in America, they had a heart for missions and sharing the Good News of



Jesus Christ that expanded their work around the globe, which included traveling to over 90 countries assisting missionaries. On October 5, 2020, the Lord called Richard home, but his legacy lives on through the fingerprints that remain on the countless lives he touched.



And then, of course, there's the great **Rich Higgins**. We had him on a couple of episodes. He wrote "The Memo: Twenty Years Inside the Deep State Fighting for America First". (https://www.amazon.com/Memo-Twenty-Inside-Fighting-America/dp/0999705938) Rich worked in the Trump White House at the National Security Council. He was a close friend and someone that I worked with directly at the Pentagon. In fact, he's the one who contracted for me to work there.

They're all huge losses to this nation because they led by example.

"Rich was the one guy in the country that was able to take his understanding of all of this and actually translate it into real action – both in the warfighting side overseas as well as advice and counsel. He was able to help national leaders, including Mr. Trump, on how to deal with these threats." —John Guandolo

For the rest of this briefing we will paying tribute to author and Lieutenant Colonel USMC (Ret), Chris Graham:

- » His life.
- » His friendship.
- » His vision and influence.
- » His legacy and how to carry on his inspiration for America.



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YOUR MISSION:

Take time to reflect on the successes and losses we've experienced over the past year and be inspired by the great patriots who have led by example to uphold the truth and continue the battle for America.

ATTENTION:

America will suffer greatly if new patriots don't stand in the gap after the loss of great heroes like Chris Graham.

Ep. 6-225 (OSINT) Open-Sourced Intelligence Report. This briefing includes conversations with Kevin Freeman and two men who worked closely with Chris Graham - Colonel Tommy Waller, USMC Reserves, and John Guandolo who served in the Marines, is a Naval Academy grad and served in the FBI.

More About Chris Graham:

Lt. Col Chris Graham, USMC (Ret) was a friend of the Economic War Room. He was somebody that I've worked with through the years and a wonderful man.

- » He was picked by Ron DeSantis to lead the Florida State Guard after 75 years of Florida not having a state guard.
- » He was the main driving force and editor of The Counter Terrorist Magazine, to which I regularly contributed.
- » He was also the editor of Tactics and Preparedness Magazine. In fact, just a month or so ago, we published a story together about the Digital Texan.

A Call to Lead by Example.

One of his final great articles was published in the *Tactics and Preparedness* Magazine's May 22 issue, titled, "Lead by Example. Lead Yourself. Lead the World." [This article is shared at the end of this Economic Battle Plan[™]. Chris was a man who knew what he was talking about. I want to share a portion of the article because it has such an impactful message for us today.



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He writes:

"Sitting alone in the dark, cramming Twinkies in your face and binge-watching Netflix while playing dress up in a surgical mask is not what you were created for. You were born for this place. You were born for this time. Hit play on Kid Rock's "Born Free" and lead by example!

"If you have experienced successfully leading yourself for at least one day, you're ready to lead others. Former Assistant Secretary of Defense under President Reagan and chairman of the Center for Security Policy, Frank Gaffney (who is also a frequent guest on Economic War Room) said the Biden-Harris team was installed to bring down America." —Chris Graham

Based on all his comments, I think he believes the improbable 2020 presidential election reports were not accurate. I think he believes they are deliberately working to reset our constitutional republic by flying the country into the ground and surrendering it to the Communist Party of China, controlled by the World Health Organization via a May 2022 W.H.A. amendment ahead of US elections.

"Regardless of whether the evidence before you has proven those charges, we all see the tidal wave of professional narrative merchants earnestly insisting that black is white, left is right and right is wrong. Narratives are pushed from the top down, but things are fixed from the bottom up." —Chris Graham

And then he gave a call for us to fix the narrative, to put it in its place and bring truth forth. He said,

"Don't just retweet Elon Musk quotes and send Ron DeSantis 20 bucks for his Campaign for Freedom. Do you want to identify the subversive influences in your city, county, and state offices and replace bad actors with men and women you trust to safeguard America's future? This is the call to Lead by Example." —Chris Graham

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The Counter Terrorist Articles by Chris Graham Were Way Ahead of the Curve.

Oil and Economic Warfare

- "Oil, Economic Warfare and America's Future" was an article that Chris helped me publish in his magazine in May of 2015.
- » We talked about the oil wars that we're facing right now!

Iranian Economic Warfare

- » We talked about Iranian economic warfare in the September 2014 issue.
- » In 2012 we published "Islamic Economic Warfare, Jihad with Money."

Russian and China Threat to Global Peace

- » July of 2013 issue "Russia, China, and the New Global Democratic Peace."
 - → This is tremendous foreshadowing of Putin's invasion of Ukraine.
 - → We called them out and said, this is what they're doing and they're trying to create a new axis against the United States.

China at War with the USA

- This is one that I'm particularly proud of in the September of 2011 issue, "Is China at War with the USA?"
 - \rightarrow We were way ahead of the curve telling you that China was at war with us.
 - → China's intentions were not to be our banker nor to be our supplier of consumer products. Their intentions have been to control the world and use economic warfare to do it.
 - → People didn't believe us then, but Chris understood and he published that.

Tactics and Preparedness Magazine - Shared Articles on the Topic.

- "Is There Another World War on the Horizon?" Published in 2017.
 - People laughed and said, "Are you kidding?" No, we were just a little bit early, but it was right on.
- "Economic Warfare as a Tactic of Total War." Published in April of 2018.

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State-Based Currency

- » The most recent article was on the Digital Texan.
 - → Chris instantly saw how powerful it was to have a state-based currency based on Article 1, Section 10 of the Constitution.
 - → If you don't know what we're talking about, go back and watch our episode or look it up. We'll



put it below in this battle plan – a link to read how Texas or any state can have its own currency based on gold and silver according to the Constitution and supported by Supreme Court rulings.

Recognized by Governor Ron DeSantis, Chris Graham knew what it meant to lead by example.

A True American Hero.

Chris was appointed to head the Florida State Guard by Governor Ron DeSantis of Florida. This is what the governor said about Chris when he reactivated the state guard after 75 years of inactivity.

"He said he started out as an enlisted Marine, worked his way up the ranks, served as an officer for 20 years, and earned a Purple Heart along the way. He's been a helicopter pilot. He served three tours in



Iraq. He's been a special projects officer and created the model for the anti-terrorism battalion companies, including their pre-deployment training and their standard operating procedures for close-quarter battles and personal security detail operations. Those are significant, high levels of training." —Gov. Ron DeSantis

Ron DeSantis picked Chris because he was so good at what he did and he loved America! As mentioned before, Chris wrote the article "Lead by Example", and his example was stellar!

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Tommy Waller Salutes Chris Graham.

What a privilege to be able to honor the life of Chris Graham. I'll never forget the first time that I met him. It was a drill. We happened to be serving in the same Marine Corps Reserve unit – 3rd Force Reconnaissance – in Mobile, Alabama. I was just coming in as the executive officer, the XO, and he was serving as the air officer. We got to talking about what we did in the civilian world.



Chris asked about my job. I thought for sure that he was not going to recognize the nonprofit that I work for.

I just said," I work for a national security-related nonprofit out of Washington."

He asked," Which one?"

"The Center for Security Policy," I answered.

He's like, "Oh, yeah, sure. Frank Gaffney. I was just sharing the stage with him at an event with Kevin Freeman."

And I'm sitting there thinking to myself, What? You were sharing the stage with my boss at an event. And you know Kevin Freeman?

"Yeah, Kevin and I have been friends for a long time. In fact, he's got a new book out, 'Game Plan'."

I said, "Yeah, I know, I just listened to it on audio."

Chris said, "I endorsed the book."

I'm thinking, "What, like, you're the air officer in our unit and you endorsed Kevin's book?" And sure enough, you can look in "Game Plan" and see Chris Graham's endorsement. That's how we met and shows what a small world we live in.

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Superman - Distinguished Marine and Celebrated Patriot.

Chris was a Marine officer who started as an enlisted Marine, a recon Marine, and worked his way up through the ranks. He became an officer – a pilot with plenty of combat experience and eventually a Joint Tactical Air Controller (JTAC). He controlled aviation assets and put warheads on foreheads, as they say, over and over.

Chris did a whole lot of work for other government

agencies in different capacities throughout his time serving our country. And one of the things that I just recall that separated Chris Graham from regular humans, besides just the fact that he looked like Superman and was towering above most of us, was his towering intellect and his appreciation for understanding threats to this country.

A lot of us are able to observe the world around us, to study our adversaries, to study the doctrine of our adversaries. But very few of us can translate that into helping other people understand it in creative ways. Chris Graham was able to translate that into written form in fictional books. That was just an amazing talent he had.

"Unrestricted Warfare Series" – Standing in the Face of Tyranny.

There are two books that Chris wrote in his "Unrestricted Warfare Series." (https://chrisgrahamauthor.com/)

- » The first was called "Election Disinformation." That was a fictional book, a story.
 - → If you read that book, you will see real-world history and events that took place over the last 15 years.
 - → You'll recognize it when you read about the different characters in the book. If you have been watching world events, you'll know exactly who these players are. Chris couldn't name them by name.



- → He tells the story of how these things could happen in the real world with respect to espionage and influence assassination – all the things that evil people do in order to create the opportunity for tyranny.
- → Chris Graham really stood in the face of that tyranny. His life's calling was to help all of us, to lead us, to help us to understand that tyranny and to fight it.



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Chris was the editor of Tactics and Preparedness Magazine, which is a resource for people to understand tactics and preparedness before crisis strikes.

- » Every issue had a Profile of Courage that he would find.
- » One of the most recent ones was about Lt, Col. Theresa Long Dr. Long one of the whistleblowers on the Department of Defense's vaccine mandate.
- » This was an issue that caused both Chris and me to retire from the Marine Corps for the institution's failure to uphold the law.

"Lead by Example. Lead Yourself. Lead the World."

In this article, Chris tells his story in such a way that it was imminently inspiring – it inspired me, it inspired everybody I know who read it. In a way, it also inspired people in the state government of Florida.

» It wasn't long after Chris authored this article that he was interviewed for a position to lead the Florida State Guard.



- What an opportunity, a national treasure. Chris is and was and would have been in a position to do immense good for the state of Florida and for the rest of the country.
- We need to pray that those in Florida can find someone who will take the example he set, and the momentum that he established – first with this article and then in his planning to set up that state guard to make it successful in the future. We owe it to Chris to do just that.

WARNING: America is under attack from relentless enemies that are intent to steal our liberties, our republic form of government, our free-market economy and everything that we cherish.





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John Guandolo Honors Chris Graham

"Chris is one of those great, great people who is now gone and there's this massive vacuum and the average American doesn't even know it." —John Guandolo

An Ingenious Leader Against the War on America.



His loss, his death, to me is devastating. We used to be sounding boards for each other, for ideas. I'm going to greatly miss that. He was a real leader in this movement.

- » Chris and I worked and traveled together, going into communities to assess the threat levels and what could be done in certain areas around the United States.
- » Chris came through a number of our trainings, including our lengthy Training the Trainer program.
- » He had a vast understanding of the Islamic and communist threats and the way that hostile foreign governments were engaged with the United States through asymmetric warfare and regular warfare.
- » He was one of the very few military officers who had a handle on these things in a way that his understanding translated into effective action and the ability to help others understand it.

I'm sad for Florida because the loss of Chris Graham as the Director of the State Guard is probably greater than they even understand. The things that he was preparing to do would have greatly benefited Florida and beyond.

We traveled together. We worked together. We bounced ideas off each other. He is one of a very small number of people in the country whom I had that level of trust with and shared that mutual respect – it was tremendous, and I'm going to miss that a great deal.

And of course, I weep for his bride and his son, Conor.

I believe it's my duty, and my encouragement to others who are patriots, to honor Chris by identifying and vanquishing the enemy. All enemies that stand against liberty and our republic form of government, our free market economy, and everything that we cherish. America is a God-blessed nation that literally rests on the law of nature and the law of nature's God. I believe fighting for that is how we honor great men like Chris.



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WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?

- » America is exceptional and has a profound charge to bring God's favor to its citizens and all of humanity.
- » America is under serious attack economically, politically, morally, spiritually, and intellectually.
- » Our liberties are threatened every day in new ways.



- » New patriots must stand in the gap after the loss of great men like Chris Graham.
- » Together we CAN restore America!

ACTION STEPS

- 1. Continually pray for America.
- 2. Never forget What we see as a marketplace, our enemies view as a battle space!
- 3. Pray, asking God to show you where the liberties He has given us are being attacked and how you can help restore America to a God-fearing, God-honoring, prosperous nation that will bless the entire world we live in.
- 4. Study why America has been exceptional and defend the many ways individual liberties are essential to the future of our country and all of humanity.
- 5. Pursue the works and influence of true patriots like Chris Graham.
- 6. Combat all enemies that stand against liberty and our republic form of government, our free market economy, and everything that we cherish.
- 7. Commit to lead by example, lead yourself and lead the world as God has called us to do.
- 8. Expect God to answer your prayers and thank Him for doing so.
- 9. Forward this to all your friends and loved ones and get them to take action.
- 10. Join us weekly in the Economic War Room. We are building new solutions with thought leaders that come through our doors every week.
- 11. Watch and/or listen to and study Economic War Room (<u>https://www.economicwarroom.</u> <u>com</u>) resources to help you understand the geopolitical landscape and threats against your money, your livelihood, and your way of life to better prepare you to enter the battle.

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12. If you have a financial advisor, make sure they have your values and interests at heart. Make sure they really understand what ESG investments mean for our future. Suggest that they become part of the NSIC institute and nominate them to participate in our online certification (see below).

ATTENTION: Again, if you have not contacted your financial advisor, it is time to make it happen! If you don't have an advisor, it's time to consider getting one.

IMPORTANT: If you have a financial advisor make sure they are aligning your investments with your values and that they understand the economic war being waged against you. (See more on Weaponizing your money below)

- 1. Financial Advisors sign up for the online NSIC class at Liberty University. If you are a financial advisor, go to www.NSIC.org and sign up for more information.
- 2. Join us weekly in the Economic War Room[®]. We are building new solutions with thought leaders that come through our doors every week. Understanding the geopolitical landscape and threats against your money, your livelihood, and your life will allow you to be better prepared as the Great Reset is waged against America. Be sure to sign up for our weekly updates at https://www.economicwarroom.com.
- 3. It is time to weaponize your money. We are in an economic war, as you seek ways to Weaponize your Money in your Investments, Spending, and Giving, consider an NSIC-trained financial advisor.

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If you do not have a financial advisor, now is a good time to get one. We will soon publish NSIC advisors who have participated in the training and elected to become part of the NSIC Institute.

 Weaponize your money toward principles that support Liberty, Security, and Values (LSV). You control your giving, spending, and investing. Nominate your financial advisor to attend our next class at Liberty University.

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- Investing. We suggest you get a like-minded financial advisor. We've done surveys
 and a clear majority of investors want an advisor who matches with their political
 and cultural beliefs. Unfortunately, Wall Street is pushing for you to just take what
 they offer in order to force a leftist agenda on you.
 - "If your advisor isn't willing to match your investments with your values, send them to us for training and education. If they won't do that, I can promise you that there are lots of other advisors looking for new clients." –Kevin Freeman
 - If you are following Economic War Room[®], you will be on the leading edge regarding global threats, geopolitical analysis, and how you can weaponize your money to strengthen America. Your money, livelihood, and way of life are at risk and these tools are designed to mobilize America to protect our economic liberty.

In the **Economic War Room**[®], we encourage Americans to be the "small ships that make the difference." You cannot solely rely on the government or the president to solve America's problems. You have to make a difference. It is up to you to help take our country back and create a voice for economic liberty. [The small ships are based on Churchill's Operation Dynamo that rescued the British Expeditionary Forces in the Miracle of Dunkirk.

Shareable Quotes:

"Don't just retweet Elon Musk quotes and send Ron DeSantis 20 bucks for his Campaign for Freedom. Do you want to identify the subversive influences in your city, county and state offices and replace bad actors with men and women you trust to safeguard America's future? This is the call to lead by example."

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-Lt. Col. Tommy Waller (ret USMC)

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-Kevin Freeman, CFA



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Gov. DeSantis selects Chris Graham as State Guard Director amid budding hurricane season https://floridapolitics.com/archives/532670-gov-desantis-selects-chris-graham-as-state-guard-director-amid-budding-hurricane-season/

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Florida State Guard https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida_State_Guard

Chris Graham Author https://www.amazon.com/stores/Chris-Graham/author/B00NQK6VC2

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You were born for this place. You were born for this time. Hit play on Kid Rock's "Born Free" and lead by example.

BY CHRIS GRAHAM

rian Chontosh's platoon of Marines was hit by mortars, rocket propelled grenades (RPGs), and automatic weapons fire in Iraq. They were caught in a kill zone. He told his driver to go through a gap to the side and immediately received fire from an entrenched machine gun. Chontosh told the driver to head toward the machine gun enabling his .50 cal gunner to silence it. He then directed his driver into the trench and exited the vehicle to clear the trench with his rifle and pistol. When he ran dry, he picked up an AK and emptied it into enemy fighters. He picked up another AK and continucd his attack. A Marine following him recovered an RPG, handed it to him, and Lieutenant Chontosh fired it into another group of enemy fighters. Ultimately, he cleared over 200 meters of the trench, killing more than 20 of the enemy and wounding more.

To me, Brian Chontosh's story is the modern version of countless tales of heroism in the face of overwhelming danger that built the reputation of Marine leadership in previous generations. Leading from the front—when being in front is undesirable—is an inspiring trait. When we were standing up the full-time Marine Anti-Terrorism Battalion (ATBN), the Marine Corps sent my team to Israel to cross train with some of their counter-terrorism teams. One thing that fascinated me was the different system they used for selecting leaders. Their platoon commanders were not college grads. They simply made the highest performing and most inspiring guy that completed the training the leader of that team. I loved that model.

Have you ever heard of leading from the rear? I have. The Marine Corps has a tradition of commanders eating last. In more than one billet, I had the opportunity to get chow only after everyone else did. The time crunch was annoying, but it served the purpose of making me aware that every guy I supported from my position had the chance to eat, it let me know if food ran out, and it reminded me to keep the concept of humility in mind. This tradition provided me more than a few missed meals, but it was an invaluable tool for helping to sustain esprit-de-corps and organizational intimacy.

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Please don't shutoff your critical thinking when we discuss the military though. An embarrassingly large number of NCOs and senior officers have been quietly convicted of pedophilia crimes. Suicide and divorce rates demonstrate that we provide many lessons in how not to live, and convictions of communist agents (back when the government tried to keep subversives out of positions of trust) suggest that we are as compromised as the corporate world is.

But where is the right place to be as a leader? I was privileged to experience a few things that many have not gotten to see and some of these provide clues to a best answer.

I found Parris Island to be an unpleasant experience. Have you ever been surprised by a hit straight into your nose and face that instantly fills you with rage and shocked

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embarrassment at the same time tears well up? My recollection of Parris Island is thirteen weeks of that feeling. As a fat kid and weak teenager, I was grossly unprepared for the experience. I prayed to God every night to get me through it. Today, I feel sincere pity for people who have not had the opportunity to experience such a constructive discomfort driven personal growth spurt in their teens.

Not too long after that, a Force Reconnaissance company was kind enough to send me to the Amphibious Reconnaissance School. We did a lot of running, finning, and patrolling. Strangely, they seemed to have forgotten to include any days off or sleep in the schedule. They also sometimes seemed to have forgotten to have food where we were. We started with 53 pre-screened young Marine volunteers. Thirteen of us were still there at the end. Twelve of us got certificates of graduation. My friend Mark got a certificate of attendance. Bill and I were the two slowest runners to make it to the end of the course.

I remember one day as we were frantically getting dressed in the dark for another run, he said in a depressed voice "Graham ... I'm not gonna make it...." I smiled at him and replied while moving like a half-asleep Tasmanian Devil: "Of course you're notYou're not gonna make it ... I'm not gonna make it. ...no one is gonna make it...." We ran out the door and made it. Putting one foot in front of the other got us to the end. Just barely.

After I got commissioned, I spent a couple of years as a pilot. I did OIF I (Operation Iraqi Freedom I) flying Casevac missions. My squadron had lost one helicopter, crew and Royal Marine Commandos on board the first night of the war, but we managed not to lose any more in the following days. As the fight for Baghdad quickly approached, things were clearly going to intensify again. We were operating out of Ali Al Salem airbase in Kuwait, flying north into Iraq in two aircraft sections and joining a battalion HQ wherever it happened to be that day for immediate direct support. We stayed with them as long as we could until the helicopters had to be returned to Kuwait to swap out for maintenance. This normally lasted a few days or so.

When we went through start-up the last handsignal the plane captain would give us was a salute and we would taxi away for departure with our twin turbines roaring. We got our salute and taxied forward. As we passed the next aircraft's maintenance crew, they stopped what they were doing, came to attention and rendered sharp salutes. The next crew did the same thing, and the process was repeated all the way down the flight line. They had never done that before and it occurred to me that they were giving us a last farewell.

Within the next few days, the First Battalion/ Fifth Marines (1/5) was in a major fight to take and hold Saddam Hussein's palace on the Tigris River. Blood was shed and we made five runs into the palace's pool deck-now a hot LZ-one day and night. On one of the early trips, "Blacklist" (the controlling agency callsign, as I recall) notified us that the airspace was closed. Too many helicopters had been shot down. On internal comms we thanked them for their advice. On external comms we notified them that we were not taking it. Miraculously, none of the buildings, bullets or RPGs took us out. Since FNC war correspondent Ollie North and his producer Griff Jenkins were aboard videoing, we knew pretending it didn't happen wouldn't work so we relied on the old adage: "you can't argue with success".

I did the Battle of Fallujah, in OIF II, on the ground with that same battalion as a forward air controller. I noticed there that the number one skill for success in that job was often to look and sound confident. The young Marines around me fighting for their lives can be influenced by seeing

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a cool head. The AC-130 on the other end of my radio needs to be convinced I know what I'm talking about when I clear them to engage a target on the other side of the street from me. Acting like you own the place and speaking calmly and clearly kills both of those birds with one stone.

Later, I found myself a task force commander at the ATBN. I believed my primary job was to set up the best never-ending training humanly possible, and sensitizing my guys through continuous interaction with what we were trying to make happen. This was not the norm, but I understood that my contribution to success was before the fight(s). In the fight, it was the job of the smallest unit leaders to make decisions and exercise initiative. In the fight, my primary job was to deconflict outsiders and be ready to lead a cavalry charge to help out when opportunities or challenges inevitably arose. I told the guys to consider themselves the local sheriff's department; they should know the area and everyone in it better than anyone else. JSOC was the FBI.

I encouraged the guys to give everyone they encountered reason to respect them. I asked them to bring in all the desperados they encountered dead or alive. The most interesting ones would be handed over to JSOC. On any given day we had multiple teams out doing multiple things. We built a system to ensure the guys going out knew whatever the guys coming in had learned and they had the freedom to exercise initiative.

I was not a hunter; I did not tell them where to go and what to do. I was a farmer. I planted seeds and the ones that produced the best became our priorities. Years later, Gen. McChrystal wrote about a similar concept in his book *Team of Teams*.

One day, the town of Udaim was overrun. Iraqi police were being executed in the street and I was bypassed by the army task force we were under

to directly throw all my teams in the field at the problem as a constellation of uncoordinated adhoc quick reaction forces. This was a recipe for a sandwich made of feces, so I jumped in with the closest team, raced ahead to a point on the highway that all the others would have to pass and corralled my guys up. I shared a hasty plan and we dropped the posse off on the edge of town. I asked my driver to race to the center of the melee. He did, and while our machine gunner was returning fire against targets arrayed in a near 360 degree arc I jumped out for a quick pow wow with the senior Iraqi I could find. Bullets were flying in all directions, but the bad guys dropped back when the rest of my crew fought forward. 1st Sgt Daly, who jumped in another vehicle linked up with me, Benelli in hand, and we walked up the street to guys covering behind one of many shot up cars. One of our HUMINTers - who apparently beat us all there - looked up, surprised to see me outside our Combat Operations Center (COC), and said "Sir, what are you doing here?" I replied: "I work here. What are you doing here?" When I can't think of anything more constructive to do, I revisit the rule about looking like you own the place and speaking confidently. We retook Udaim and turned it over to Iraqi forces the following morning. The battle reminded me that planning needs to begin and end with KISS: keep it simple, stupid.

As a lieutenant colonel, I attended the command and staff college in Quantico. One of the exercises we did there was a mock press conference. I was briefing a room full of real reporters (paid by DOD to be there) about an imaginary Middle East operation. At the end, one reporter asked how female Marines were performing in an imaginary battle. I said I didn't have any data on that and a stumbling male reporter awkwardly ex-

pressed that I should say their performance was terrific. Already understanding what was expected, I provoked by replying "What if it's not?" This drew out an experienced woman who clearly saw herself as the alpha of the group. She authoritatively commanded "Just lie!" I telepathically told her she was a turd. Her voice guivered momentarily and she telepathically told me she got the message. This exchange provided my peers the opportunity to see what the exercise was about if they were paying attention. In my course critique I wrote that military personnel enjoyed the highest levels of trust from the public, reporters were at the opposite end of the spectrum, and that we would be fools to join them. My advice was not taken, but I emailed those comments to a Canadian special operations officer who was present. He was free at that time. Now he lives under the "emergency powers" of the Trudeau regime.

After I left active duty, I stayed in the reserves and worked as a civilian for the U.S. government in Afghanistan and other places. Not too long ago I was privileged to serve as the commander of a reserve ANGLICO unit. While most of the Marine Corps was at peace, we were still deploying teams to war. During this time, a navy squadron managed to fly a helicopter into a ship in the Caribbean. Fortunately, no one was hurt, but after a very creative exercise in sophistry by senior navy officers, my command was under investigation because an attempt was made to blame my guys (fast-roping from an SH-60 to a ship) for the incident.

Controversy, criticism and complaints come with the territory for leaders. Teams composed of competitive young men possessing above average fitness and above average intelligence have unlimited potential for mischief and serving as an umbrella is a leader's main job in such organizations.



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A criminal investigator interviewing me switched to "bad cop" mode and shouted why do people think your Marines are "long haired cowboys doing special operations"? I said sincerely "Sir, we live by the same haircut regulations the rest of the Marine Corps does." I didn't realize until later that he and members of my immediate chain of command were unaware that we had teams continuously deployed to Iraq, Syria and Afghanistan, and that some of those Marines were working out of uniform. He might have choked on irony if he found out that I later received a classified message congratulating the unit for taking out a "high value target" on the same day he was chewing my ass. We were ultimately cleared, of course, and some of the miscreants required nothing more than a breeze to fall into administrative traps of their own making. We were returned to "jump" status and I got to lead the guys out the ramp of an MH-47 (another leadership tradition) shortly before turning the unit over to the next commander. He was a great guy who inspired confidence in the Marines by showing up with a black eye.

After laying low in the Inactive Ready Reserve for a little while I was contacted by a brigadier general. He asked me if I was ready to get back to work and proposed that I come aboard a project at MARSOC as an Individual Marine Augment. I agreed, but we hit a snag.

In late 2021, I believe I was given an illegal order. I was "non-obligated" to serve, so I relieved the most senior officers in my chain of command for loss of confidence in their ability to lead and my Marine Corps service was concluded in March 2022.

DOD leadership ordered service members to



submit to involuntary gene therapy injections and it was open knowledge that partially tested "emergency use" products were being misrepresented as fully tested and approved treatments, and as different products altogether. The word vaccine was re-defined in an Orwellian attempt to make false statements true with the expectation that people would inject products meeting the new definition while believing they were injecting products that met the understood definition. Individuals were directed to administrative avenues to apply for waivers while senior officers made clear to subordinates that waivers would to be rejected. I believe that each principle of the Nuremburg Code has been violated, and as a lieutenant colonel I was expected to compel healthy junior service members to submit to involuntary medical experimentation and unethical orders.

There is only one thing in this world that I control and that is my thinking. My thinking determines my actions and my actions influence others. I commanded a 242- man Anti-Terrorism Task Force in combat operations in Iraq and I have led other teams. I *control* myself. I *influence* others. That's all anyone can do.

I have never seen a platoon, company, or battalion that was worth a damn because of the wonderfulness of orders and policies pushed down from above. When one skilled Marine with balls teams up with another, a beautifully dangerous synergy begins. When three or four of those guys get together you have a badass fire team, three such fire teams make a super squad, three squads make a platoon and so on. The Korean War provides examples of Marine platoons that annihilated North Korean companies and Marine battalions

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that withstood the continuous assaults of Chicom regiments. In Vietnam, a guy named Charlie said: "I'd rather go down the river with seven studs than with a hundred shitheads". Charlie Beckwith created the unit that reporters call Delta Force.

It's not that leadership *can* come from the bottom up. It's that all real leadership *must* come from the bottom up. Where do you lead from? You lead—right now—from the inside out and from the bottom up, wherever you happen to be. Step two is to reposition for advantage. This is a continuously looping process and you must realize that good leaders can turn on a dime and be good followers the moment that benefits the mission.

Have you traded the consumption of propaganda on TV, electronic social networks and internet for more constructive activities yet? Are you working out in the sun every day for constant improvement? Do you train and compete on occasion with pistol and rifle, and build useful skills to support the people you love? Is your relationship with God what you want it to be? Are you a student of America's founding principles and the lessons from Henry Thoreau, Martin Luther King Jr., and Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn? Are you lovingly inspiring the mind, body, and spirit of your spouse and children by example? Make your answer "yes" and raise the bar every day.

Sitting alone in the dark cramming Twinkies in your face and binge-watching Netflix while playing dress-up in a surgical mask is not what you were created for. You were born for this place. You were born for this time. Hit *play* on Kid Rock's "Born Free" and lead by example.

If you have experience successfully leading yourself, for at least one day, you are ready to lead others. Former Assistant Secretary of Defense (under President Reagan) and Chairman of the Center for Security Policy, Frank Gaffney, said the Biden/Harris team was "installed to bring down America". Based on all his comments, I think he believes the improbable 2020 presidential election results reported were not accurate. I think he believes they are deliberately working to "reset" our Constitutional Republic by flying the country into the ground and surrendering it to the Communist Party of China controlled World Health Organization via a May 2022 WHA amendment ahead of the 2022 US elections.

Regardless of whether the evidence before you has proven those charges, we all see the tidal wave of professional narrative merchants who earnestly insist that black is white, left is right, and right is wrong. Narratives are pushed from the top down, but things are fixed from the bottom up.

Do you want to end "emergency powers" and save your country? Don't just retweet Elon Musk quotes and send Ron DeSantis twenty bucks for his campaign for freedom. Do you want to identify the subversive influences in your city, county and state offices and replace bad actors with men and women you trust to safeguard America's founding principles for your family? Then learn Dan Shultz's "Precinct Strategy" (precinctstrategy. com), join your local GOP or DNC, attend the meetings and make it happen. Do you want to prevent a repeat of the 2020 presidential election schemes? Become a paid poll worker or a poll watcher; visit (truethevote.org) to learn how.

Have you lost income to illegal mandates or because your employer chose to practice medicine without a license? Join a Liberty Counsel lawsuit at (lcaction.org/vaccine). Do you want to know what is hidden in the mountains of documents that courts have ordered Pfizer to produce? Then become one of Dr. Naomi Wolf's crowd sourced volunteer investigators (https://campaigns.dailyclout.io/campaign/home). Have you lost someone you love to a product fraudulently marketed as a "safe and effective vaccine"? Then do both.

Do you want to look out for your children? Build a team to attend school board meetings and create accountability like the ladies at (momsforliberty.org) and (moms4freedom.org) did. Is it time to bail out of your public or private school and jump into your homeschooling network, or can your school be saved? Become a substitute teacher or volunteer, and find out how much subversive indoctrination is present in your district.

Consider a second career as a sheriff's deputy. Some sheriff's have part-time deputies, reserve deputies, citizen possees and other volunteer support specialists. Fire departments and EMS function similarly. Your community can be saved, but it will only happen from the bottom up. Find out how your team can support your sheriff, your local EMS, and your neighbors.

I fail frequently, but I try to fail fast and fail forward. I don't want you to look up to me. I want you to see how far you can surpass my achievements and look *down* at me. Revive your sense of humor and lead by example. Lead yourself. Lead the world. \checkmark

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