

CHAPTER 1

THE RISE OF THE LIBERTY-LOVING LATINO AND MAGAFEST DESTINY

“There’s never been a time like this, Chris. Never.”

Donald J. Trump to Chris Salcedo during
live televised interview; Oct 12, 2024

There was one thing that was going through my mind as I waited in the Trump Hotel in Las Vegas for my interview with President Donald Trump. A mere few weeks before what I considered to be the most essential and consequential election in US history.

It was minutes before I was about to interview a person who was once the most powerful man on the planet and a force to be reckoned with on the world stage. He would be arriving momentarily to sit for a one-on-one interview with me. Me... this Latino American kid who was raised in an apartment complex by a single mom.

I was a young boy—then man—who took lessons and inspiration from those who came before him to keep my dream

and the dreams of my fellow Americans alive. And here I am today, living my dream. I have a home and family of my own. And preserving the ability for my children to succeed, to have their dreams, was very much on my mind while preparing to conduct the interview that I had spent years working toward. I would soon come face-to-face with perhaps the only man who could keep my children's dreams, all American's dreams alive....

I had in the past interviewed the President three times for my radio show. But this was the first time I'd be doing it for television and the first time I'd be talking with Trump face-to-face.

I flew to Las Vegas from my home in Texas, right after my TV show, in a whirlwind trip that would see me talking with one of the most consequential Americans in modern history. It was a lot to take in.

Something else occurred to me as I looked around this stunning structure where I waited. Trump is a builder.

I remember thinking how none of his detractors or opponents could conceive of building such a grand piece of architecture. Firstly, left-wingers don't know how to build. They only know how to rip things down. Secondly, if an idea isn't hatched from some government program, Leftist Democrats won't be able to comprehend a concept of it.

The word "builder" blared in my mind like "Hail to the Chief" played by the United States Marine Band. No matter what you may think of him, whether you agree with him, think he's the most evil man in history (as so many Leftists and the fake news press do), or think he's the "chosen one," (especially after a near assassination that miraculously barely clipped his ear), the objective truth is that Donald Trump builds things. And he doesn't build things in half measures.

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Building is what Conservatives are all about. We focus on building a more perfect union, a better future for our children, and a lasting legacy of freedom. We say, “Yes, we can” to the Founding Fathers’ vision for our nation. Where Leftists and the Democrat Party’s answer is always a resounding, “No, you can’t.”

With Democrats, there’s always some government overseer killing your hopes, dreams, and liberties. They’re the stealers of dreams. They’ll tell you can’t dream about having the car or the house that you want, claiming that it’s only for elites and those who are in control!

The Liberty-Loving Latino’s worldview, on the other hand, is just like that of patriotic Americans nationwide. We want stability, security, and success. Who wouldn’t want that?

On November 5, 2024, the American people, bolstered by a wave of Liberty-Loving Latinos, reaffirmed that the American Dream isn’t only alive and well, but it’s still fashionable to reach and strive for that dream.

Nobody dreams everybody else’s dreams. The greatness of the American system, at least B.O. (Before Obama), is that it’s big and great enough to accommodate every person’s lawful goals. In fact, when one of us achieves success, it actually multiplies the success of others. That’s because the American ideal strives to let all have the freedom to succeed! It’s there for you! It’s there for all of us. Anyone who wants to dream and work hard can achieve.

It is our responsibility to imbue the next generation with enough self-determining agency and resources so that their American Dream is there for them, too. As Ronald Reagan

said multiple times throughout his presidency and campaigns, “Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction.”

In America, the people rule. It’s the revolutionary basis of our very founding! We, as pioneering Americans, fought very hard to get out from under an elite class of people hoarding all the wealth and ability to advance. And I think that’s what Trump sees. He wants everybody to be able to succeed and achieve as much as their God-given talent can take them. It’s our MAGAfest Destiny.

Back to waiting for my face-to-face with Trump...

Aside from being excited, I was also worried. I’ll be honest, while I was hopeful, I wasn’t at all confident that Trump would win the election that would take place less than a month after our interview.

Sure, he was the best candidate. I had no doubts about that. I was worried about what the other side was up to in those days before the election. I have no faith in Leftists. And that’s because I have no faith in individuals who believe themselves entitled to power over my family and me.

I had no idea what shenanigans left-wingers might try to pull again! Yes, if everything was fair, equal, and transparent, President Trump would win. After all, the Left had bolloxed everything up so badly during Biden’s four years.

Although I knew the American people wanted Trump to return to his role as commander in chief, I have never trusted Leftists. Let’s not forget the fact they had been hiding their candidate in a basement to hide his cognitive impairments or pulled a major switcheroo when they flopped Biden for Kamala Harris. And then there was all their subterfuge during the 2020 election.

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This time I felt there was far too much at stake to allow them to succeed.

Getting to the Trump Hotel had been a trip. I'd flown into Las Vegas the night before. The Uber to the hotel had to drop me off several yards from the main entrance, because there were extra security precautions in place. It was understandable. I was glad to see the ramped-up security detail after two left-wing nut jobs had plotted and initiated plans to assassinate Trump.

I was scanned with a metal detector as my backpack and luggage was screened on a conveyor belt scanner. I wondered what all the guests, who were vacationing in Vegas, were thinking. It was so incredible being in the middle of it all.

It was at that point when I got the real sense that this wasn't just another interview, something I had been repeating to myself to calm some pre-interview jitters. No, this time I was in the orbit of this very, very powerful and accomplished human being. And the world around me at that moment wouldn't let me forget it.

The suite where I was sent to interview Trump was swept several times by the Secret Service. Everyone was dotting their "i"s and crossing their "t"s, as I prepared for our sit-down.

Trump walked in, and the room brightened up even more than all the studio lighting that the interview crew had brought in. I'll never forget that experience, of him walking into the room and lighting it up.

Trump is a very affable and likable guy. No airs about him. Forget what you've heard or seen elsewhere. I've been there with the man, one-on-one. The first thing he did when he came into the room was greet everyone and shake everybody's hand.

He would eventually get to me, but he made sure to meet and greet each member of the crew first. Ever the showman,

Trump knew the camera and lighting crews were going to be the ones to make him look good.

This is a guy who's been in front of the cameras and on television for decades. Still, there was no Hollywood diva nonsense for this guy. In fact, one of the members of the crew was wearing a "Make America Great Again" hat. Trump pointed it out, shook the guy's hand and turned to his entourage to proclaim, "Hey, we gotta get this guy a new hat! An updated hat!"

Trump then signs the hat on the guy's head and then gives him a new one...and signs that one, too!

Trump and I begin our discussion. Even though I'd interviewed him before on the radio, talking with the man in person was completely eye-opening.

There's a lot of people who claim that, because he doesn't have all these garrulous, garden-variety stump speeches memorized, he doesn't come across as a polished politician. And he doesn't. But, that's a good thing. Americans appear to have had enough of the polish, the grease that only appears to conceal a glorified con artist in many politicians. But when you have a chance to actually sit there with Trump, like I did, you really see straight through him to the gears at work.

In truth, he's far from being disorganized. Trump's stream-of-consciousness style reflects the fact that ideas are going through his head so fast, he can't articulate them quickly enough. Sitting there right across from him during our interview, I enjoyed the unique privilege of witnessing a very fertile brain. A brain that was focused, intense and determined.

Trump may not articulate concepts as a doctrinaire Conservative, like me, would. But he knows what he knows, says what he says, and does what he does. He's prompted by

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that special gut instinct that has always served him and the country well.

It's his instinct that tells him that for far too long, the citizens of the United States of America have been conditioned into putting everybody else in the world at the top of the priorities list while our own people's priorities linger at the bottom.

Beyond that injustice, Trump's instinct needles him non-stop about the fact that, for far too long, our politicians have gotten to feed at the trough before anyone else. Our citizens are given whatever scraps are left over from government's savage feasting. Trump says that's wrong. This is the opposite of how things should be, and our society should work toward reversing this horrendously self-destructive cycle.

Many Hispanics, first and second generation, passionately share Trump's insight. Many Latinos have escaped oppressive, totalitarian, Leftist regimes to come to America. They can't cite chapter and verse as to why left-wing thought and policies suck. But they know a left-wing extremist when they see one. And they know enough that they don't want the misery and destruction of individual dreams that Leftists always bring.

There's a similar commiseration between Trump's instincts and those of us in the conservative movement, as well. Conservatives study, understand, and analyze policy and precedent, the law and the Constitution, history and philosophy, in order to better promote the superiority of Conservative thought and worldview. Trump, on the other hand, distills all of that complex rhetoric down into its bare essence. Trump makes the complex simple.

Individuals who can cut through all the noise, the way Donald Trump does, are indispensable to making and keeping America great.

There were tons of things like this that I had wanted to discuss with Trump during our interview. But I was compelled to stick to the issues—illegal immigration being chief among them.

But before I could really delve into that crucial topic that means so much to me and my fellow Liberty-Loving Latinos, Trump brought up something that I had seen just that morning as I was scrolling social media.

A video involving my alma mater, San Diego State University (SDSU), and their ladies' volleyball team had caught my eye. The team had evidently been playing another team that had a transvestite on its roster—a dude pretending to be a woman.

The country had been recently horrified over a similar occurrence during a previous volleyball match involving two other teams. This male player spiked the ball so hard into a SDSU female player's face that it knocked her flat on her back.

You could hear the whole gymnasium gasp.

The ball even bounced off the first player's head and knocked into another player's face! It was terrible. Thankfully, the SDSU players were all right. But the unscientific and absurd premise of males in women's sports was at the top of the President's mind during our interview. His instinct told him to talk about it!

"She never played volleyball again," Trump observed empathetically as we talked, referencing the volley ball incident that preceded the one at SDSU. "You know, volleyball is the least of it. You had the boxing, and you had the two people that transitioned. And they both won gold medals. You saw that, right? With the two left jabs, and the girl walked out. She said, 'I'm not fighting this person.' Who would want men to play

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in women's sports? It's very bad for women. It's very bad—you know, it demeans women really terribly.”

What's more incredible still is that, if you have ever watched an interview with Trump, you know that he can discuss a myriad of topics...then always find his way back to the original subject.

This loopy gender identity nonsense had already been turning the Latino community off in big ways. The silly, gender-obsessed freaks seemed offended by the beautiful Spanish language, and were trying to get people to refer to Latinos and Latinas as “Latinx.”

If you've ever taken a first-year Spanish class, you know that Spanish words have feminine and masculine identities, indicated by the words ending in an “A” or an “O.” And yet these ridiculous, white, Leftist people thought they could overturn centuries of Hispanic culture to fit their warped “gender theory” bullshit. No, thank you!

According to polling, a huge majority of Latinos and Spanish speakers were understandably repulsed and offended by Leftists corrupting the Spanish language for their anti-science idiocy. We're talking nearly everyone polled felt that way. Numbers reached 97 percent disapproval across the Latino community, according to the Pew Research Center.

Trump knew the entire country reviled Democrats for pushing this craziness. And, while staying “on message” as the interview progressed, he spot-lit this one incident at the volleyball match as being emblematic of all the other problems facing us today. His message was to focus on getting some common sense back in this country.

Referring to the Republicans as the “party of common sense,” Trump gave Americans an alternative to bowing down

and enabling Leftists and Cultural Marxists. They wouldn't be allowed to waste so much of our time, energy, and tax dollars on issues that are diametrically opposed to any modicum of rationality.

The impact of Trump's instincts here are a major part of what led to Kamala Harris losing to Donald Trump. While she was out touting her LGBTQ...ABCDEFGH Cultural Marxist agenda and similarly absurd premises, the rest of us were totally focused on three major issues. The issues were: the border, crime, and what Democratic strategist, James Carville, was finally awakened to post-election, "It's still the economy, stupid!"

Carville crafted that original term while he had still been under the delusion that Kamala could win and that the country didn't care nearly as much about all the economic problems we've been going through for nearly two decades now. These issues hit all Americans hard, but especially those in *minority* communities who were realizing that they had stupidly placed their trust in a left-wing party that never really cared about them.

Trump, though? He got it right away. He's known all along. He listened to the screams and cries of the people, and he knew then what he knows now; it's time for common sense. It's time to move forward. It's time to build. Liberty-Loving Latinos are not afraid of working and building, either.

He nailed it during our interview: "I actually think [the border] is the biggest thing. And the polls don't bear me up, but I know the polls are wrong. The polls are fake almost like they're—you know, they say the biggest thing is the economy. And I guess if you add inflation into the economy, it's pretty big, right? But I think, in a way, the biggest thing is what's happening with the border because criminals are coming into our country at a level that we've never seen before, and terrorists."

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And what were the Democrats doing, meanwhile? They did what left-wingers always do; they overreached. They saw the first Trump win, and they were saying to themselves (loudly to the rest of the country through their biased Left-wing media allies), “I can’t believe he actually won! Oh my gosh, we gotta get busy! We can’t allow this guy to get back in. We can’t allow this!” So, they went for the gusto.

Believing their own warped and baseless propaganda, Democrats and the Biden regime doubled down on these insane woke policies and tenets. Biden (or people operating on his behalf) doubled down on open borders, soft-on-crime policies, a government-centered economy, their continued corruption of gov-ed, and their deviant gender-identity agenda.

For Democrats, it was all about them—their power, their wealth, and their status. They completely ignored what the vast majority of Americans, of all skin colors and backgrounds, actually cared about and wanted.

The sad thing for Leftists (and the rest of us, really) is that, because of everything Trump had accomplished during his first term, if they had really wanted to be the best they could be and if they had really wanted us to meet our potential as a country, all Joe Biden had to do was keep all of Trump’s policies in place. He would’ve gone down as the greatest Democrat in history, but he didn’t.

And that’s because he had a different goal in mind.

Biden’s goal was to make it so that Trump couldn’t rise again to challenge the supremacy of government’s control over our people.

Biden, and/or his team of apparatchiks, sought to make elections irrelevant or mere fait accompli formalities, keeping

the ruling class in charge, and corrupting once-trusted institutions to keep the masses in line.

It was a brutal campaign against individual rights and civil liberties, the very core of the Constitution. Consider how they jailed Trump supporters who were at the March on the Capitol on January 6th, illegally so, denying them their due process rights. They packed on false charges in an effort to jack up jail time and sentences earning scorn from judges who scolded the Biden regime for such crooked tactics.

As reported by Politico in March 2024:

“A federal appeals court panel ruled Friday that Jan. 6 defendants who obstructed Congress’ work had their sentences improperly lengthened by judges who determined that they had interfered with the ‘administration of justice.’ The decision could force district court judges in Washington, DC to recalculate, and perhaps reduce, the sentences of more than one-hundred Jan. 6 rioters convicted of felony obstruction for their roles in the attack on the Capitol that threatened the transfer of power three years ago.”

Leftist thugs launched direct attacks on the Bill of Rights. They founded government agencies, like the GEC (the State Department’s controversial Global Engagement Center) that worked to silence dissent by labeling it “misinformation.” They thought the people wouldn’t notice, but we did. This looked all too familiar to Latinos with knowledge of their family history.

The fact is that everybody’s lives got crappier during the Biden-Harris administration.

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As reported by *MSN* shortly after the 2024 election:

“The US dropped to its lowest-ever place on a list of the happiest countries to live in, according to an annual survey conducted in 2024 by the University of Oxford in partnership with Gallup and the United Nations released on Thursday.... Notably, Americans were left grappling with various issues during Biden’s presidency, including a massive influx of illegal migrants, high crime rates, rampant inflation, and a burdensome cost-of-living crisis. Following President Donald Trump’s election victory, some exit polls showed that voters were deeply discontented with Biden’s leadership as president.”

And no matter how many times Biden and company insisted everything was fine, reality kept interrupting their false narrative. You can’t hide people’s bottom lines.

And every single time Joe Biden and the worst White House Press Secretary ever, Karine Jean-Pierre (KJP), got up on television and said, “No! Your life is great!”

The American people—Blacks, browns, whites—said, “No, my life’s *not* great; I’m telling you my life’s *not* great.”

And the government would insist, “No, it is great! It’s great! Shut up! It’s great!”

The more they did that, the more people just got angrier and angrier. And that’s when Americans everywhere finally started to say in legion, “You know what? There’s no two ways about it: My life was better under Trump.”

We had all wanted to know from Biden and Kamala, “What are you going to do differently than what you’ve already done? You’ve had four years to fix it, you haven’t done that, and so *what are you going to do differently?*” And they didn’t have an answer.

Worse, they arrogantly patted the country on the head and said they weren’t going to give us an answer; that we’d better vote for them if we wanted to “save our democracy.” Those words rang hollow to Latino communities overrun by illegal aliens, drug cartels and human traffickers.

The nation as a whole then collectively rolled their eye at the Democrats who kicked their primary opponent off his own party’s ballot. So they could impose an unaccomplished candidate, Kamala Harris, onto the Democrat ticket...without a single vote. Democrats may not have cared, but Trump did.

And that’s also why he won. That’s also why WE won. Well, that and the fact that Americans remembered we are a constitutional representative republic, not a “democracy.”

Americans finally got around to rejecting the America Last crowd—people who push totalitarian control, a loss of rights and the lowering of our quality of life. Because when government is at the center of our lives, our lives suck. And that’s what Joe Biden and Barack Obama proved.

They proved that an all-powerful, all-expansive government is the antithesis to the American experience. Which largely led to Latinos leaning more and more Conservative during the Obama years.

Liberty-Loving Latinos are very family-first and family-focused. We don’t want to empower government to make all the decisions about our healthcare, about what we can eat, about

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what we can drive, about injections into our arms or the arms of our children.

Real Americans, Latinos or otherwise, know it's wrong to make people choose between taking a vaccine with scant few public studies or else we lose our livelihoods. Latinos joined the chorus saying, "Seriously? I've got to inject a 'vaccine,' or I lose my ability to support my family? Or my ability to serve my country in the military? Really? And you're going to sit there and tell me, as a compromised, woke-infested government that that's right and proper? No!"

Americans of all races, colors, and creeds were saying more and more, "I don't want an all-powerful government. I love my children more than big government." They said that to every Democrat and every selfish Republican enabler.

And it's that swift change in attitude from the American people that now has Leftists running scared...right along with the total collapse of their race-baiting DIE programs and everything else they've been doing for twelve of the last sixteen years.

It's a very blunt, rusty tool the Leftists and Democrat Party use solely to advance Cultural Marxism. But it's not working anymore. We won't stand for it any longer.

The Democrats employ this ham-fisted notion because they've run out of victims. They've chewed up and spit out so many groups that they don't have enough numbers to be effective in advancing their anti-American policies.

I say "LGBTQ...ABCDEFGH Cultural Marxism" because I know why Leftists cobbled these disparate groups together. Lesbians, gay men, and people with actual gender dysphoria are all different people with their own individual considerations and diverse viewpoints on sexuality. Yet the Left relentlessly

jams them into their one overcrowded LGBTQ...ABCDEFG Cultural Marxism box on their checklist.

The Leftists cobble together these individual groups in one big mush pot because they're not sufficient enough in numbers individually to make a political difference. They're not big enough on their own to create enough of a critical mass to move the dial for the Leftists toward their ultimate goals. To rectify this, the Left simply lumps them all together completely robbing them of their individuality and humanity.

All that Democrats care about is getting votes, by hook or by crook.

That's why left-wing "intersectionality" was doomed to failure from the start. It was never meant to succeed. It was only meant to mash together and convince enough people of disparate backgrounds that they had a common agenda in an effort to secure power for left-leaning extremists.

And they did push, as Leftists often do. But they pushed too hard and too fast. And they did it out of necessity. Because they knew that they were running out of time. The Leftist world is running out of time. And you can see this shift all over the world, not just here in America.

The UK Prime Minister, Keir Starmer, recently came out and said that this entire mass migration and illegal immigration impacting nations from the United States to the United Kingdom—along with western capitals of Europe—was entirely orchestrated by elitists, resulting in an unnecessary clash of civilizations.

These elites do these kinds of things to toy with our lives, just because they can. They do it knowing they'll never have to deal with the fallout in any real way. They do it to distract us from their malign, self-serving activities. They do it with no

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explanation. Whole populations are forced together with no common ground or assimilation. The resulting and predictable conflict produces chaos and violence, all so that “We the People” won’t focus on selfish, entitled and unqualified elites in government.

Does this sound familiar? Is this not exactly what DIE is really about? This keeps us all fighting over scraps amongst ourselves while the elites on top just laugh. They revel in the chaos with their allies in the left-wing press and keep our people from coming together against the real enemies; them!

It’s like what Smokey James, Yaphet Kotto’s character in Paul Schrader’s classic 1978 film *Blue Collar*, says, “They’ll do anything to keep you on their line. They pit the lifers against the new boys, the old against the young, the Black against the white—EVERYBODY to keep us in our place.”

Hence, our pushback against these failed philosophies and policies.

Hence, the rise of the Liberty-Loving Latino.

Hence, the fact that one out of four Black men decided they would vote for “America First” and against the most vacuous, unqualified woman to ever run for President of the United States. A woman who was coronated as the Democrats’ nominee without a single vote. Kamala Harris was selected, not elected to be their party’s candidate.

Kamala Harris, who tried to convince Liberty-Loving Latinos that abortion—the unrestricted slaughter of babies in womb—should be our number one issue. Kamala Harris, who told pro-life Christians who showed up at her rallies that they were at the wrong rally and that they should go to the Trump rally down the street instead.

These kinds of attacks against us hit many Latinos to the core, as many of us are God-fearing and religious people. Millions of Latinos were at the end of our ropes.

A fellow Liberty-Loving Latino, Alfredo Ortiz, CEO of the Job Creators Network, was interviewed on my friend, Sara Carter's, podcast discussing how small business owners weighed the Trump and Biden years. He said, "Primarily because they knew what happened in that first term of the Trump administration and how good it actually was for small businesses."

"Under the Biden-Harris administration, it was all about higher taxes and more regulations," Ortiz continued. "\$2 trillion of regulations were placed on the American economy in their four years, which is ridiculous."

Furthermore, despite the narrative from the crooked press, Americans from all walks of life realized that if you believe in breaking the law, are a Marxist, or don't revere the Constitution of the United States, those traits do not reflect the values of the Black, brown or Latino communities. Those values are a mechanism of being a Leftist Democrat.

It's why the Left continues to attack so-called "minorities" who don't tow their party line, like your Liberty-Loving Latino here. They call us race traitors. They call people like me "Coconut" which means brown on the outside and white on the inside. As if the desire for freedom, liberty, the rule of law, and prosperity are "white" values!

Lest we forget that it was Joe Biden who said that if you don't vote for him, "you ain't Black." Or, after the 2024 elections, the Reverend, Al Sharpton, and others in left-wing media suggesting the reason Black and Hispanic men in particular voted for Trump was because of misogyny the way Sharpton did in early April 2025 on MSNBS' *Morning Brzezinski*. Who

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can forget taxpayer supported NPR's Maria Hinojosa's claim that Hispanics who support Trump want to be "white"?

How dare these left-wing extremists call us racists! The Liberty-Loving Latino knows that the American way is great and for everyone. There's nothing "white" about that. Apparatchiks in the press and left-wing party just say things like that to keep us on their collectivist plantation.

The modern, biased press will never point out what's really going on with the Democrat Party. But I will. And that's also why your Liberty-Loving Latino is such a threat to these people; *they can't use the race angle against me*. They have to deal with the material facts. They can't say, "Oh, it's all racism" when your Liberty-Loving Latino here is outing their outlandish, America Last insanity.

Thankfully, I'm not alone. Millions of Liberty-Loving Latinos rose up to reclaim the American Dream from Leftist thieves. Our brothers and sisters in the Black community, after over seventy years of devotion to the Democrat Party, have also undergone an awakening in Los Angeles, Chicago and New York.

From the moments before my interview with Trump, until today, there really were many reasons why we voted for Trump. But there was only one reason why someone wouldn't. Because they weren't liberty-loving, as are we who want to put America First.

So, "Latino men came out in full force [during the election]," even according to the goons and useful idiots at MSNBS. And this is ultimately what makes us Liberty-Loving Latinos an ascendant force for good against Democrat tyranny. We focus on our people, not on the government.

If anything, our eyes are fixed on God. And we love our families and children more than selling out our families' futures

so that some left-wing charlatan can live high on the hog off the fruits of our labor.

The concepts I'm articulating here and throughout this book are not new, but I did see this wave coming. Like totalitarians, those who yearn to breathe free are as old as time. But, in a previous book of mine, *Liberty Rises*, I did coin an original statement for the main character: "A society's worth is not measured by how much power's stolen by an out-of-control government. A society's worth is measured by how much power is reserved for you and me: in short, we the people."

As we get another shot at making America *America* again, we have to ask some serious questions: How did things go so wrong? And how did we get here?

How did we, the Liberty-Loving Latinos, break loose from the chains of Democrats and raise our fists the same way Donald John Trump did that iconic and fateful day when he took a Leftist's bullet...and stood up...and rallied us all to *FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT?*

To answer all that, we'll have to go all the way back to the beginning....