



MALCOM TURNBULL AND JULIE BISHOP REMEMBER THAT THOU ART MORTAL

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In the ancient days of ancient Rome, Caesar on his return from his victories over the Gauls and other barbarian nations was honoured by a parade throughout Rome riding on a chariot resplendent in his royal robes.

Behind him stood a slave holding a wreath of the olive above Caesar head and whispering in his ear, "remember thou art mortal". A tradition handed down from one emperor to another, depending on their victories and service to Rome. One wonders whether this time honoured tradition of a bygone era should not be adopted by the incumbent Prime Minister and his sycophantic followers.

I lay here in hospital monitoring the decline of a political party that I chose to follow some 25 years ago. I selected the Liberal Party because it was against communist ideology, retained traditional right conservative and family values and was a broad enough "church" to embrace individuals from across this great nation of ours. I selected my own political mentors who I felt and still feel that they commanded the respect, credibility and above all were excellent motivators in providing a raw new comer like myself to become an active member of the Liberal Party.

Throughout those 25 years, I have witnessed much that challenged my traditional values and paradigms that were almost sacrosanct in my eyes and my belief on what was right. I have seen and witnessed, character assassinations, Janus like personalities, treachery, undermining, great acts of love and self sacrifice, disloyalty, good people being seduced by promises of power and prestige, to corruption, deliberate misuse of party funds and sycophants and recalcitrants to be found at all levels of the political structure. Yet throughout that period, I still remain a strong supporter of the Liberal Party.

I write this to bring out the best and the worst in the Liberal Party, but mainly to send a powerful message to the younger generation that is witnessing the decline and ruin of a political party that they have readily hitched their harness to and ready to plough the field of politics. The generation that is now in power at the Federal level is not an elected government of the people but as a result of a treacherous and self serving group of individuals who are ready to believe their own rhetoric and that of a media that is paid to engage, infiltrate and create situations that will sell news to a public that is sick with the innuendos, treachery and lacking substance and any credibility.

It is without doubt that the Liberal party like its nemesis the Labor Party and Greens have internal factional issues that have foundations seeded with self destructive forces. All self indulgent heat seek missiles designed to bring about the three "Ds" aptly named Disunity, Discord and Disloyalty with one objective in mind, that of power. Having said this let us therefore look at these three "Ds" and where they fit into the current political crisis that has hit the tabloids and splashed across our laptops, tablets, mobiles and television sets. Would the reader agree that the current battle for power between Tony Abbott and Malcolm Turnbull fits the above mould of the three "Ds" (Disunity, Discord and Disloyalty), and if the case is found to be true, why not add a sprinkling of treachery, undermining and Janus personalities for good measure and hasten the political divide within the Liberal Party.

I now ask the obvious question: what will change now that a new regime is in place at the Federal level? With factionalism rife in New South Wales, a veritable stable party in the West, a party split down the middle in Victoria (ruled by political Barons each seeking to increase their own personal fiefdoms), a small but viable one in South Australia, followed by ineffective or fractured parties in Tasmania, Northern Territory and Queensland. So many who fall within the three "Ds" (Disunity, Discord and Disloyalty) parameters that one wonders how good are Turnbull and Bishop at dancing the tango of politics. I am of the belief that it is difficult to dance without a musical band to assist them as they circle the hallowed halls of Canberra.

Am I disappointed, yes you bet I am and despite this bloody illness, I hope to live long enough to see their demise, struck off the Liberal Party registers and allocated to the backwoods where their treacherous actions can no longer be tolerated. We who call Australia home deserve a better performance from our Political lawmakers and when we elect them to office it's because we believe them to represent the values and traditions that mirror that of our own. Being in office does not mean that one becomes a tyrant but rather a servant of the people. A pity that these lofty ideals are no longer practiced by those who purport to support us.



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