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Let me start by citing that 7-year-old boy's message to Senator Cotton, "If President Trump loves children like he says he does then he shouldn't take away parks and PBS to build a wall. He shouldn't do all that stuff. "

I remember I was an early teen while learning English in high school in Taiwan that I came across this simple sentence: honesty is the best policy.

My reaction at that time was a "Wow!" Now, almost fifty years later and in the US, that sentence still rings loud and true to my ears. I have been taking it for granted that to speak one's heart is the norm of this country ever since and have acted accordingly. But I have to admit that through all these years, I have come to a closer truth: it takes courage and wisdom to be honest and to tell the truth.

My observation might be shocking to you people in the US: In countries where freedom of speech has to be fought for, actually, there are more people who have the courage to be honest and to tell the truth than in the US where freedom of speech is protected by law and taken for granted.

This observation can be explained with a simple logic: Where freedom of speech is taken for granted, once it is threatened or taken away, many people are immediately at a loss as to what to do. I have seen it too often; mostly when job security is at risk, people immediately become quiet or even 'sing along' with the threatening force.

What a pity! People need to realize it takes only more than one person to tell the truth and the momentum will be built up and the snowball will be rolling and the truth will be maintained. We need only two people to start it. But if there is only one, then she will immediately be shut up or be rid of.

With Donald Trump becoming the President, this phenomenon can never be clearer. The threatening force is now coming from the top. Almost every sentence the WH has uttered, the listeners have to listen between the lines now.

Example #1: The media is the enemy of American people (between the lines: I have to try my very, very, very best to convince you that the media is the enemy of the American people – because the simple truth is it is not.)

Example #2: I like to be among people who love me (between the lines: everywhere else I go, I don't feel that people love me.)

Example #3: FBI needs to stop investigating the WH-Russia contacts (between the lines: if you dig on, we will be in trouble.)

The list is endless. Please, Mr. President Trump and all in the WH, stop playing games. If you like to play games, go to Russia or China. They are good at that. Here, in the US, the truth is too plain not to be seen, even if many are reluctant to say it.

[I have a separate article on the background picture. Please visit [http://texanalovestories.mathisacommonlanguage.com/zz\\_OldStories\\_01.php](http://texanalovestories.mathisacommonlanguage.com/zz_OldStories_01.php)]

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