FRANKNESS
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I must confess I am an ordinary, uncomplicated person. Basically, I am a straightforward and a friendly man. I accept other people at face value. There comes a time when I rapidly change my views about a person and/or a philosophy. This change of my viewpoint can come immediately when things achieve an erroneous moral/ethical standard. “The Judeo-Christian religions have had a profound effect on the total life of Western civilization. American democracy was basically founded on the teachings of the Old and New Testament. Our concepts of freedom, justice, equality and the dignity of man have all come from this source. The American legal system, social responsibility, and moral and ethical behavior have their roots in the Ten Commandments and the New Testament teachings of Christ. These have been, since the very beginning, the standards for behavior in our society.” (Reference: Page SR-1-3, PERSONAL VALUES AND PROFESSIONAL ETHICS IN LEADERSHIP, Published Oct 72, Revised Nov 79, US Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss, Texas)

I learn from my mistakes, and I will accept honest frankness from others when pointing out an error on my part. An old friend of mine was reading one of my essays entitled “Women in Combat Part Two.” He noticed a reference I used titled “Duffel Blog.” He kindly pointed out that this “website is totally satire.” He further stated, “The posts on this site are not true. It is more of comic relief for the military.” In closing my friend said, “Please do not be upset with my frankness, I only want to ensure that your work is read for the truth it represents.” Upset? No my dear friend, thank you for pointing out my error.

After reading his comments concerning the satire website, I corrected my essay by extracting any references to this “comic relief” sham. Frankness as illustrated by my friend shows honesty and openheartedness toward me. Don’t we all need a kind disposition of forthrightness?

Without doubt, we live in a time of mistrust, falsehoods, and political barefaced lying. The well-known bill called ObamaCare was passed into law by our government without even knowing what was in the bill. Wait a minute, how can our government pass a law if they do not know what the contents of the law are? This is the type of mishmash hodgepodge governmental workings we have today. We need old-fashioned honest frankness that we can trust. It is my view that we have or are losing our base heritage of a Judaic/Christian nation. We have succumbed to a false ideology that there are no fixed principles of right/wrong. The reaping of acceptance to satire mishmash untruthfulness is apparent. Chaos is running amuck because of the lack of honest frankness. Beware of the drive to create a secular, non-religious nation.

“LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.
He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.” (Psalm 15:1-3 KJV)

**NOTE:** For addition study on a similar subject see essay titled: “JANGLING” and “SWERVED”.

**NOTE:** For information on the Duffel Blog see: