Remembrances of September 11, 2001

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Good Morning. My name is Chris Watson.

Today, September 11, twenty years ago, I was teaching a presentation skills class at the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), about a mile from the Pentagon, when we received word about the attack in New York City. As a non-essential contractor I was dismissed and as I left the DIA building I could see smoke from the Pentagon off in the distance.

Altogether **2,977 innocent people died** in NY, VA, and PA that day. **574 more people** than the **2,403** who died at **Pearl Harbor**.

The **death toll has risen to at least 7,600** people based on the **additional 4,623 people who died** from illness due to dust and other factors after the towers fell.

Unfortunately too many people do not remember or know about that day, and many do not really know what this great country of ours suffered in the aftermath of the terror attack.

And that is why I am speaking to you today. Unless we Republicans **take back control of Cobb County, and Georgia**, and keep it, **September 11 will disappear**, **just like the rest of our history is being made invisible because some of it is hard and some of it is difficult and some of it is awkward to talk about**.



At 8:46 am, terrorists crashed American Airlines flight 11 into the World Trade Center North tower.

At 9:03 am, terrorists crashed United Airlines flight 175 into the World Trade Center South tower.

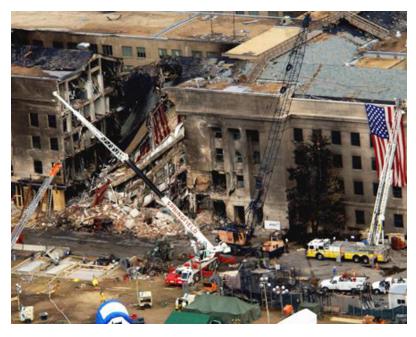


The **South Tower** collapsed at 9:59 am and the **North Tower** collapsed at 10:28 am, **2,753 people died** on September 11 in New York City.

The memorial to the collapse of the World Trade Center Towers.



At 9:37 am, on September 11, Terrorists crashed American Airlines flight 77 into the Pentagon; 184 people died at the Pentagon that day.



On that day, in the Pentagon, among the 184 who died that day were:

Rosa Chapa, Sandra Foster, Robert Hymel, Shelley Marshall, Patricia Mickley, Charles Sabin Karl Teepe.

These 7 people worked for the DIA Office of the Comptroller. **George and Diane Simmons,** who were headed to Hawaii on **AA flight 77** for a second honeymoon after retiring, also died.

Why have I named only these 9 people this morning? Because **the first seven I named were former students of mine**, and **George and Diane** were **friends from my days working at the Xerox Corporation**.

I named the DIA employees and my friends from Xerox because **I REMEMBER**! That I knew 9 people who died that day does **NOT** make **me** special.

Pentagon Memorial outside the rebuilt Pentagon

At 10:03 am on September 11, **United Airlines flight 93 crashed into a field near Shanksville, PA**; **40 people died.**



Shanksville, PA Memorial at the site of the crash



Do you either know someone or know someone who knew someone who died that day?



Today our beautiful **flag** is **disrespected**, and **burned in the streets and walked on by immigrants trying to illegally enter our country**. The **founders of our country are vilified**. **Our statues representing our history**, both good and bad, **are being defaced**, **torn down**, **and removed**. The names of schools and sports teams are being changed so as to not offend anyone.

History is being presented to our children in a way that distorts and paints a false picture of our great country. Our children and our military are being **indoctrinated with garbage like Critical Race Theory (CRT).**

Look at the incompetence the current administration has shown in evacuating Americans and our Afghani allies from Afghanistan! Please ask yourself "why were civilians **NOT** evacuated before our military was pulled out." Then we had to put our military **BACK IN and** unfortunately **13 military personnel died** during the evacuation at the airport at Kabul.

Our country has been embarrassed and humiliated by President Biden and his administration!

Did the 13 service members die because they were supporting Critical Race Theory? I THINK NOT!

REPUBLICANS MUST TAKE BACK COBB COUNTY, <u>AND</u> GEORGIA, <u>AND</u> OUR COUNTRY IN ORDER TO SAVE IT FROM THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO DESTROY IT! After the recent special election, our majority in the Georgia House of Representatives increased for the first time in more than 10 years and is now 27.

Learn the **Principles of our Republican Party** and talk about them, and **support candidates who will COMMIT to upholding them**. Don't **tell** people what **you** believe, **ask** people if they believe and agree with our Principles without identifying them as **Republican Principles. Only identify them as our principles AFTER people acknowledge agreeing with them**. If they agree with our principles **ask them** to think about whether or not the candidate(s) they support also support these principles.

I wanted to talk to you all because I want to **light a fire** in you and **fan the flames of your own fire to make it** burn brighter. Our next election, Tuesday, November 8, 2022, will be here in 14 short months, **only 423 days away [as of September 11, 2021]**. Now is the time to start campaigning.

My time in front of you grows short.

Please lower your heads for a moment of silence and then a brief prayer:



In Jesus's name we pray:

Heavenly Father, Please embrace all the innocent victims of September 11, 2001 and their families, from whose lives they were so cruelly torn as under and welcome into your arms the service members who died, and their families, and all those who were wounded protecting innocents trying to flee the barbarism of the Taliban in Afghanistan.

Please bless the people in this room and all who serve You and support our great country. Please give our leaders wisdom, and bless our police, our military, and all our first responders, and all who love the rights and freedoms you have given us, and **God Bless the United States of America. Amen**!

<u>WE</u> MUST NEVER FORGET! WE <u>MUST</u> NEVER FORGET! WE MUST <u>NEVER</u> FORGET!

AND OUR CHILDREN MUST NEVER FORGET!

Thank you for your time and attention today.