

The Voters Pulled The Curtain On Dr. Oz, by Rabbi Barry Silver

In the climactic scene of the Wizard of Oz, the dog Toto, pulls the curtain on the Wizard of Oz and exposes him to be a fraud. With powerful witches and scary flying monkeys, it was a seemingly powerless little dog Toto, that revealed the truth about the Wizard of Oz, and showed the others that he was not the “all powerful” being he claimed to be.

In similar fashion, the voters, who often feel weak and insignificant compared to special interests, lobbyists and Donald Trump, demonstrated their power over Dr. Oz and his nefarious flying monkeys who supported his evil ways.

Even after suffering the ravages of a stroke, John Fetterman showed that he still had courage, intelligence and heart, when he debated Dr. Oz and emerged victorious. These qualities which were the goals of the characters in the Wizard of Oz, will be needed to help our nation return home, to its roots of civility, kindness and love for one another.

At the end of the movie, it was also revealed that the Wizard of Oz wasn't really from Oz after all, but in fact, was like Dorothy, also from Kansas. Similarly, at the end of the campaign, it became clear that Dr. Oz, who sought to represent Pennsylvania, was not really from that state, as he inadvertently revealed that he was unaware that the Pittsburgh Steelers had a bye that weekend.

It is also time for us to pull back the curtain on the entire Republican Party and reveal that their leader, Donald Trump is a fraud, full of the bluster and fear mongering demonstrated by the Wizard of Oz, but in reality, just a frightened little man. His candidates did not fare very well, and he keeps losing elections for the Republican Party. When it comes to politics, it is becoming increasingly obvious that he is a mere “apprentice” as well as the biggest loser.

Perhaps one day, the people of the great state of Kansas, will be free of the spell of this charlatan and the political party he hijacked and realize that the Republican Party has no power to provide them with courage, intelligence or heart. Instead, these qualities lie within themselves and can be tapped into any time, once they kick up their heels and return to the old-fashioned values of home on the Kansas farm, where love of family, country and one another prevail, and where hard work and devotion help to provide nourishment to feed the people of America and the world.

As Dorothy discovered at the end of the movie, while Yellow Brick Roads are pretty to look at and the world of fantasy is fun to imagine, for those who believe in facts and the freedom we enjoy in America, “There is no place like home.”