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Can you imagine any commander in chief of our armed forces prior to Barack Obama, purposely barricading the national WWII memorial—to prevent our greatest generation warriors from visiting the memorial built in their honor—in an attempt to lay blame on his opponents for a government shutdown? Me neither.

To describe this action; disgraceful, insulting, disrespectful, shameful and un-American are words that come to mind. What I would really like to write would make General George S. Patton blush.

What speaker of the house prior to Nancy Pelosi would have the arrogant disregard for our intelligence by telling us we needed to pass the Affordable Care Act (ACA/Obamacare) so we could find out what was in it? No one knew what was in it.

When Congress found out Obamacare would cause them to lose their “golden parachute” health plans and be thrown on the exchanges like everyone else, the howling of wounded animals began. Obama unconstitutionally changed the law by restoring their generous subsidies. He also unconstitutionally delayed the employer mandate for his corporate buddies and left individuals and small businesses hung out to dry.

Republicans charged that Obama’s illegal changes, signaled the ACA was not ready for implementation. Democrats say it is the law of the land. It’s not. Obama changed it. House Republicans attempted to tie de-funding of Obamacare to the continuing resolution to fund the government. The Senate rejected it. The House settled on delaying the individual mandate, like Obama had done for bigger business. The Senate rejected that and the government shut down.

The House has since been passing piecemeal bills to fund the government, but Senate leader Harry Reid refuses to bring them up for a vote. One of the bills would fund hundreds of cancer patients at the National Institutes of Health. A CNN reporter asked Reid, “If you can help one child who has cancer, why wouldn’t you do it?” Reid’s response was “...why would we want to do that?” Then he berated the reporter for asking the question. Isn’t that all you need to know about Harry Reid’s character and lust for power?

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President Obama has been the first one to jump into the fear mongering cesspool, by claiming Republicans would cause a worldwide economic crisis if they interfered with his plans to increase the debt limit (something no one was even talking about).

At the same time he claims he has bent over backwards to work with the Republican party and has purposely kept his rhetoric down. Neither of which is true.

In reality the rhetoric he uses to disparage Republicans perfectly describes his own actions. Example: "I'm happy to have negotiations but we can't do it with a gun held to the head of the American people." Just after the mass shooting at the Naval Yard in Washington D.C. Real classy Mr. President!