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We live in interesting, nay dangerous times!

The silent majority needs to "talk" and real fast to save this nation! We know many things are just "not right" in our beloved land. The bigots and charlatans rule the roost! They claim to speak for us and yet we remain silent! Why do we choose to remain silent? Because we "fear"! We fear:

- Losing our livelihood
- Losing our property
- Being arrested
- Being stigmatized
- Our pathetic lives would end!
- Et Cetera! Et Cetera! Et Cetera!

And we are quite "happy" to let someone else do the job - "cheering" perhaps even "jeering"from the security of our homes. Homes that would be rendered meaningless when the soul of the nation is shredded!

Yeats "Second Coming" comes to mind...

"Turning and turning in the widening gyre The falcon cannot hear the falconer; Things fall apart; the centre

cannot hold;

Mere anarchy is loosed upon

the world,

The blood-dimmed tide is

loosed, and everywhere

The ceremony of innocence is

drowned;

The best lack all conviction,

while the worst

Are full of passionate intensity"

Reflect on this

Perhaps then you will choose ... To break your silence!