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Re: My disparager

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"The world isn't 0 and 300,000."

- this is also related to the story about my ex friend. He got a lot by me, in my second round of being his friend. He was being a genuinely better person, for sure, and this was particularly true in the beginning. As time went on, he was also pretending with a lot of it. I didn't realize just what I was dealing with, for so long, because of this.

This woman Susan, for instance. This is an extremely pitiful woman, who has a history of repeated, severe domestic violence victimizations. She is also a multiple times rape victim. She comes across as so sweet and so humble. She had some man she was afraid of, and my ex friend would tell me about how he was going to protect her from him. He'd use the typical man's "throw him to the alligators" type of language. He would tell me how disgusted he was with this guy and his violent behavior and abusive attitude and how despicable it was for him to make this poor woman feel afraid.

A year or two down the road, when he throws me under the bus, and I end up talking to Candi, I saw how much compassion he really had for this poor woman. Candi eventually got in touch with her. I told Candi about her and how my ex friend was stringing both of them along in parallel. This was a shattering of Candi's illusions and she seemed to have trouble accepting it. She didn't think that I was lying, but she wanted to hear it from Susan. So she contacts Susan, who tells her the exact same thing that I told her as well as some more details that I didn't give. Candi contacts my ex friend to confront him.

Among the things he had to answer for was how he had engaged in a sex act with Susan, during the same time that he was wooing Candi. From what I heard of Susan's account, she described it as something that she gave into, out of shock and disbelief. She had told herself that "his brain surgery had done something to him, and brought out something predatory." She basically tried to tell herself that there is an explanation for this, that this isn't the person she has known and who has been so kind to her. As she went into denial, she reluctantly gave in.

My ex friend responds to Candi by making the most awful accusations against Susan. He spoke in terms of her being a sex maniac, with no virtue. Said that she begged him for a sexual experience and that he finally gave in. He gave, as evidence of his fidelity towards Candi, the fact that he never had sex with Susan, when he could have at any point that he wanted to, because Susan is of such pathetically easy virtue and is such a fiend that all he had to do was ask.

This was one among many examples I would see, as I talked to Candi and she relayed what he said back to her, of the most ruthless and heartless manipulation you can imagine. I never fully realized just how completely without concern for these women that he was. Someone with either a heart, a soul, or a conscience, could not be this way to anyone. I thought back to how he had spoken to me about how he felt about Susan, and what instantly stuck out was how he was speaking in exactly the same terms that I would have. He was mirroring my own attitude and my own values. He got this by me, how the whole time he was being an actor.

He didn't completely hide his dark side, but he hid enough of it to fool me. And "his dark side" is not the most accurate way to describe it. It is more accurate to say his true self. This darker version of him was who he was around the clock. Even after everything he had said and done in my presence, I never perceived him to be someone who could be as heartless and as cruel as he was to these poor women.

I am a self-centered person in a lot of ways. I am self-centered to an extreme, in a lot of ways. What sticks out about him, though, is how the other person doesn't matter at all. He is totally unconcerned about them and their needs and the damage that he is going to cause them. I'd say that most likely, he is conscious of this. He knows that he doesn't care about the other person, and that he's just using them for his own ends.

He got this by me because I am naïve and because I trusted him. I have a quality of naïveté, where I do not see the viciousness in people. I overestimate their desire to do right and their concern about their conduct, and the underestimate their tendency to be unfair to others. I have had trouble trusting people a lot in my life, and on the flip side, I have trusted people that I shouldn't.

Jenny got one by me, in conning me out of a link to my Facebook profile. Here it was me trusting Jenny, which is among the worst mistakes I have made and ever will make. And this is what I find about not trusting people. Others have noticed this about me for a long time. It has stuck out to more than one person, how I didn't seem to trust other people. They seem to see it as some kind of unnecessary personality quirk. It doesn't seem that way to me, as I approach 43 completed years of living on planet earth. It seems to me that not trusting people is extremely rational and is the appropriate thing to do. The biggest hardships of my life have come as a result of trusting people.

Warmest Regards,

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