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# Sarah Palin and Donald Trump whine about “gotcha” journalism in inane interview straight out of “Idiocracy”


"He's avant garde," Palin said in a desperate attempt to convince America she knows what that phrase means **VIDEO**

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Sarah Palin, Donald Trump (Credit: One America News Network)

On Friday’s episode of a program whose title isn’t the least bit ironic, “On Point with Sarah Palin,” the former Alaskan governor and failed vice presidential candidate conducted an interview with Donald Trump in which the pair of strong American patriots did little more than whine about the unfairness of it all.

“This is a movement,” Palin said introducing her guest, “of Trumpeters or Trumpservatives or whatever these folks are called. He’s avant garde, and crushing it in the polls. One America viewers, he wants to connect with you, to those who are going to show up at the polls and elect the next leader of the free world.”

Palin said that she spoke to Democratic strategist James Carville, who to her mind is famous for having said, “it’s the economy, silly,” and asked Trump how he felt about the current volatility in the world market.

“It’s really pretty sad,” he replied, “they’ve just destroyed our job base, and we have to make a lot of improvement.” That sort of banal generality characterized much of the interview, whether the subject was the venal nature of the IRS or the unquestionable awesomeness of the United States military.

For example, she asked Trump what it’s like to be respected by the military for being “a truth-talker, instead of being punched in the nose for seven years by Obama.” To say that it played out like a scene from “Idiocracy (<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/B000K7VH0G/diesekoschma20>)” is an insult to the denizens of Mike Judge’s fictionalized future, especially when the issue of “gotcha” journalism was raised. Palin lamented a journalist’s attempt to “get” Trump by asking him to name his favorite biblical verse, which was totally “off the table” despite the fact that Trump’s repeatedly declared (<http://www.cnn.com/2015/08/27/politics/donald-trump-favorite-bible-verses/index.html>) the Bible to be his favorite book in interviews.

“I listened to that going, ‘Do they ask Hillary that? What does it have to do with running for the office of the presidency? Is it anybody’s business?’” she asked, unaware that Clinton had been asked that selfsame question earlier this year (<http://www.cnn.com/2015/05/27/politics/hillary-clinton-2016-election-faith/>) and recited Corinthians 13 by way of answering.

“These personal ‘gotcha’ questions, really trying to get you, us, anybody running for office off game,” she continued. “How are you finding that, and finding a technique to put them in their place so that the American public isn’t wasting their time and actually get to hear what’s important via candidates’ message?”

“You saw that. I love the Bible, and I’m Protestant, I’m Presbyterian. And they were hitting me with different questions, one right after the other,” Trump replied. “I don’t know if it’s ‘gotcha questions,’ it probably is. And then they said, ‘What’s your favorite verse?’ You know, that’s a very personal thing. I don’t like giving that out to people that you hardly know. Frankly, I don’t know if they’re fair questions, or not fair questions, but there are certain things that you, myself and a lot of other people think too personal.”

Palin did not press Trump on why it’s not too personal to declare the Bible your favorite book, then decline to provide any evidence you’ve read it or regularly attend church services (<http://www.cnn.com/2015/08/28/politics/donald-trump-church-member/index.html>), because *of course* she didn’t.

Watch the entire interview below via One America News Network (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eju2SG7UMA>).

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