PRAISE FOR REGGIE MARRA’S PREVIOUS WORK

“Killing America chills me, even after 25 years as a police officer and 15 years in counterterrorism....Reggie Marra exposes the pain felt by fellow humans, the challenges we face when we take sides, and the compassion we need to see each other’s pain.”
— Christopher Rogers, Father, Husband, Retired Peace Officer and Bomb Technician

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Enough
with the...

Unconscious • Partial • Habitual • Ignorant
Disingenuous • Manipulative • Literal
Radical • Metaphorical • Irrelevant
Conservative • Libertarian • Republican
Female • Democrat • Male • Liberal
Capitalist • Sexist • Reactionary • Socialist
Racist • Otherwise Bigoted • Eye-rolling
Head-shaking • Smirking • Snide
(pick one or more and/or add your own)

Talking Points

Doing More Good than Harm
in Conversation

REGGIE MARRA
Whether disagreeing or agreeing across, within or beyond the political spectrum, we label, insult, generalize and characterize each other – habitual, ineffective strategies. *Enough with the...Talking Points* offers an intentional, challenging approach that works in political, business and personal relationships. Authentic self-reflection, honesty, courage, vulnerability and the differentiation of fact and opinion are essential.

**Praise for Reggie Marra’s Previous Work**

“Reggie Marra writes with stunning, graphic precision….The poems in *This Open Eye* are tributes to the nearly-invisible wounded and the honest humanity so many of us yearn for now.”
– Naomi Shihab Nye, author, *Transfer, The Tiny Journalist* and *Voices in the Air*

“Reggie Marra’s *And Now, Still* speaks to me deeply of hope and joy, beautifully woven into the context of grief and loss….I recommend slowly savoring and sipping each word…”
– Joanna Burgess-Stocks, BSN, RN, CWOCN, Patient Advocate

“As a former college athlete and longtime leader of high-performance military units, I recommend Reggie Marra’s *The Quality of Effort* with unbridled enthusiasm.”
– Fred Krawchuk, Retired U.S. Special Forces Colonel, Social Innovator, Peacemaker

**From the Introduction:**

“With some few exceptions, ‘we’ seem to have lost the ability to disagree with each other without engaging in personal insult, labeling and sweeping generalizations….

“This loss of ability (or lack of skill, or chosen laziness, or (in)vincible ignorance...) is evident with just about anyone who wishes the world were different, who *knows* who’s to blame for how the world is, and who’s sure that he or she is not part of the problem, but rather a victim, a prospective savior, or both.... So, whether you believe that Conservative-Republican-Capitalist-Homophobic-Fascists, Liberal-Democrat-Socialist-LGBTQ-Bleeding Hearts, Independent Infidels or some combination of these is to blame for everything that’s wrong, YOU are part of the problem. That sentence is an example of what this book argues against saying or writing. If you’re interested in engaging what the book argues *for*, I invite you to keep reading.”

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