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 **TODAY'S "QUICK HIT":**
LEONARD PITTS
AND HIS ANGER
MANAGEMENT
PROBLEM!



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Here's what provoked me:

Leonard Pitts too often slips out of his genius mode and into a harmful zone of demagoguery, suspicion and hatred. Is he sometimes unhappy and angry at the same time? It's clear that he doesn't understand the hearts and minds of those he opposes or simply disagrees with. If he did perhaps he could be a force for good. As it is he is frequently an agent of divisiveness and hatred.

Here's my response:

Leonard Pitts and His Anger Management Problem!

Kudos to Charles Valenza and William Dillon (both November 6) for their insight into Leonard Pitts' hatred which so often is exposed in his syndicated column. These writers were referring to the Pitts article on November 2, "Defeat is not enough for the Republican Party." He wants the party immolated and nuked – "Let there be pain" he said.

Here are some earlier Pitts quotes:

- "Sheer greed of rapacious money pigs" (re: prosperous people) – 2/17/14
- "Gonad grabbing swagger" (re: those with opinions different than his own) – 1/28/15
- "A sewer for stinking" (re: Fox News) – 1/28/15
- And so many more!

There are times when wisdom shows through like when he was lamenting the country's "apartness" – 4/8/15. Pitts' brilliance and sincerity is too often overwhelmed by his inability to understand the thoughts and motivations of those he opposes. He acts like he knows what's in the hearts of others he opposes – but he doesn't!

It's easy for him to leave his objectivity, fairness and racial blindfolds "at home." His desire to squash demagoguery fails when he slips into that zone himself. He truly tries to arouse his readers' emotions and prejudices.

Among much good, Pitts is also capable of causing much damage!