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1) Lots of politicians talking about the "Sanctity" & "Strength" of our "Institutions".

While failing to acknowledge that for a huge swath of Americans, that faith in those same Institutions has been impaired or destroyed.

> Congress\u2019s completing its certification of electors \u2014 with our law enforcement heroes having restored order in the Capitol \u2014 at 3:40 AM today shows the strength of American political institutions and represents a victory for the rule of law & constitutional government in America.
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> — Mike Pompeo (@mikepompeo) January 8, 2021

2) President Trump didn't create this lack of faith. Nor the anger and distrust.

It has long been there, brewing and gathering strength. Precisely because of actions from those same Institutions.

The reactions from the Media & DC to Trump's term solidified those beliefs.

3) We just learned that the IC downplayed the role of China in the election for political purposes.

"Some of our career people, even CIA management, were politicizing China intelligence"
https://t.co/zKD002ShNx

4) The intentional distractions from China through a laughable focus on false claims of Russian-Collusion did irreparable harm to our country.

To date there has been one conviction for an institutional attempt to impair - even bring down - President Trump's administration.

5) Justice delayed is justice foregone.

Why is it that Justice seems to so lean heavily in one direction?

And why do people pervasively believe the Institutions protect their own?

6) Many that worked to impair or end the Trump Admin are now the loudest voices - calling for further restrictions on liberties. Asking for punishment and submission.

The inaction of the GOP enabled this. You all enabled this.

7) We now see the GOP cower to the Left as retributions threaten and events of the past years are lopsidedly mischaracterized.

People become tired from a lack of basic fairness. We on the right understand it has long been so. But that doesn't change the mounting frustration.

8) Inaction from the DOJ, the actions from Congress, the GOP's abandonment of its base all speak to this distrust.

You did this. Not us.

I believe in the Constitution. But I have no faith in the Institutions of DC.

9) Politicians can cloak themselves in the Constitution all they want.

But it is their own self-serving actions - and inactions - that have brought us to this place.