

I WATCH C-SPAN BECAUSE IT ALLOWS IT'S VIEWERS TO FORM THEIR OWN OPINIONS. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITY THAT A BROADCASTING NETWORK HAS. SEEING SOMETHING FIRST HAND OR HEARING IT STRAIGHT FROM THE HORSES MOUTH HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE MOST RELIABLE FORM OF REPORTING.

I APPRECIATE YOUR CAMERAS OPENING DOORS THAT WERE FORMERLY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. I ALSO FEEL THAT YOUR VIEWER PARTICIPATION PROGRAMS SHOULD BE COMPLIMENTED. BUT IT IS STILL THE PROFESSIONAL PACKAGE AND RESPONSIBLE REPORTING THAT KEEPS ME TUNED IN.

WHEN I SEE THE CONGRESSIONAL AND JUDICIAL SYSTEMS IN ACTION; I AM SEEING FIRST HAND THE DECISION MAKING PROCESSES THAT SO DEEPLY AFFECTS OUR LIVES. WHEN CURRENT EVENTS OR CONTROVERSIAL SUBJECTS ARE DISCUSSED, I HEAR ALL SIDES OF THE STORY. THE OPTION TO CONSIDER THE SOURCE IS ALWAYS PRESENT. SO MANY OF THE OTHER NETWORKS JUST SEEM TO TRY AND SELL THEIR OWN IDEAS.

BEING ALLOWED TO THINK FOR MYSELF IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME. IT SHOULD BE IMPORTANT TO ALL AMERICANS. YET TOO MANY PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE FORMED OPINIONS WITHOUT EXAMINING EVERY FACET OF THE ISSUES. THESE PEOPLE RELY ON THEIR NEWS PAPERS AND TELEVISIONS NOT JUST TO INFORM THEM BUT TO THINK FOR THEM. THIS IS BOTH SAD AND COUNTER PRODUCTIVE.

I ALSO WATCH C-SPAN BECAUSE OF WHAT IT DOES NOT DO. IT DOES NOT TRY TO PUT ON A BIG BROADWAY PRODUCTION FILLED WITH LAUGHS AND GIMMICKS. IT CONCERNS ITSELF WITH WHAT IS BEING SAID RATHER THAN HOW IT CAN BE SAID WITH GREATER FLARE OR DRAMA. INFORMATION SHOULD BE INTERESTING NOT ENTERTAINING.

INFORMING THE PUBLIC IS FAR MORE THAN JUST A DIFFICULT TASK. IT IS A VERY SERIOUS RESPONSIBILITY. WHEN WORLD, NATIONAL OR EVEN LOCAL EVENTS ARE NOT PRESENTED HONESTLY AND WITHOUT BIAS; THE RESULT CAN OFTEN BE VERY HARMFUL.

C-SPAN ACCEPTS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY WITH MUCH MORE SINCERITY THAN THE OTHER NETWORKS AVAILABLE TO ME. THEIR PROGRAMMING IS VERY MUCH IN TUNE WITH THE PEOPLES NEEDS. UNTIL SOMETHING BETTER COMES ALONG I WILL CONTINUE TO BE A VIEWER!

  
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