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Okay; let's suppose for the sake of argument that I took all of my surplus money and gave it to the poor. Let's suppose that every American does – yourself included. Who gets it? Is everyone included in this scheme, or only the pure of heart? Are you really willing to make sacrifices for the rural white Southern bigot who hates every single one of us in this room but who is just as much in need of economic assistance as the United Colors of Benetton ad you most likely see in your head when you think so romantically of the poor? When you say, "We the people," do you really mean that? Or do you mean, "We the people who agree with me?" I will not apologize for being a successful real estate developer. It is not my responsibility to end homelessness. Nor is it my job as a billionaire to fix income equality. You want to know who I am responsible to? To my family. To my employees. To my investors. If homelessness, if income inequality is your passion, then it should be your fight. You and I just have different philosophies and therefore different priorities. Just because I don't share yours doesn't make me a villain. No one opened any doors for me nor did me any favors.