



There is a sense of something incredible happening—of powerlessness and resultant apathy. Are we going to make this powerlessness real?

We have to make a conscious decision about what we are going to do about the future of the United States. 'Power to the People' is not a revolutionary statement—it is an American statement. Richard Nixon was elected by 313,000 votes; five and one half million young people under 25 did not vote because they did not think there was a choice. Now Nixon will probably have the last ship filled with the last group of soldiers come back while he is in San Diego being crowned King again.

**We can build a coalition to turn America around!**

John Kerry  
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