

MAHER: Let me just ask you this question, because before we run out of time, there is some pretty big economic news that has happened recently and today we found out unemployment is down to 5.6 percent, 58 months in a row of private sector job growth, the most ever. Last year, most jobs created since 1999. Strongest GDP growth in over a decade. Stock market has tripled pretty much since Obama took office. Health care costs historic lows.

Mitt Romney said he wanted GDP growth to be 5 percent by the time he took office in 2016. Obama beat that by two years. Ryan said he wanted unemployment under 6 percent by 2016. It is now. Newt Gingrich said that gas prices, he would get them below \$2.50. It is. Since Obama has achieved all the Republican goals... does he get any credit for that?

And if this was a Republican in office now, wouldn't it just be two years of why are you even bothering to field a candidate against this?

FIORINA: So, first of all, that's all great news. Let's acknowledge that's all great news and all the people who have jobs who didn't have jobs, that is good news. But we also have to acknowledge poverty rates are higher than they've been in 20 years. Income inequality is higher than it's been in decades.

MAHER: Wow, you care about income inequality and poverty rates?

FIORINA: Actually, I do. Yes. Isn't that stunning?

MAHER: Because I don't hear a lot of Republicans, previously to these figures caring about those issues.

FIORINA: We had this conversation the last time we were on.

MAHER: I'm a pothead. I don't remember that.

FIORINA: The basis of prejudice is when you say everyone is the same.

MAHER: No, no, no...

FIORINA: Yes it is. Of course I care about poverty.

MAHER: Okay great.

FIORINA: Of course I care about income inequality and I also care about the fact that for the first time we are destroying more businesses than we are creating in this country. Fewer small businesses are starting. More are failing than in any time in forty years. We have some fundamental structural problems in this economy. People aren't being

educated.

So while that is great news, and part of the reason the stock market has tripled is there's no place else to put your money and earn a return anywhere in the world, but it's all good news.

BEGALA: Because we have the best economy in the world because we have a president that knows what the hell he's doing. It's alright. Policy matters.

FIORINA: Elizabeth Warren...

LENO: I love this idea of two years free junior college.

MAHER: Yeah, he said that today...

LENO: Now you're kind of frowning. Is that a bad idea?

FIORINA: When are we going to learn that there's no such thing as free. Someone's going to pay.

LENO: You know, there used to be free... when I first came to California, you could go to college in California for free. If you lived in the state, it was free.

FIORINA: And look at where California is now after decades of liberal policies. Let me just tell you the facts. Highest poverty rate in the nation. Highest income inequality in the nation. The 49<sup>th</sup> worst education system.

LENO: But a lot of that has not to do with the American citizens. A lot of that has to do with people coming from other places.

FIORINA: That's a matter of policy as well, but I'm sorry, highest income inequality is not because of people coming from other places. California is... the facts are these. Middle class families are leaving their state.

MAHER: I'm so glad we're all in agreement that income inequality is a big problem.

FIORINA: It is a big problem!