SENATOR RUBIO’S AMERICAN DREAM :

<http://news.yahoo.com/video/sen-marco-rubio-issues-terror-075618716.html> (doc raccourci joint un peu plus long que 1’30 (1’48)

Female voice ( Katie Couric American anchor YAHOO NEWS) :   “Tell me a little bit about your heritage, I mean your parents obviously grew up in Cuba ,what were their lives like ?

Male voice (Republican Senator Marco Rubio ) : “My mom was from a… , her father was born in, to a farming family in Cuba, one of multiple children, large number of children . My father’s history: he grew up in Havana his whole life,his mother died when he was very young, so he went to work right away, so they met, but they struggled in Cuba, they **weren’t politically connected,they didn’t have family wealth** ,and they just didn’t see a path for **upward mobility** , so they came to the US in 1956 with my brother and they struggled here too. My dad primarily as a bartender,my mum a number of different jobs, as a cashier again, as a maid, and lived, you know, working-class lives and **allowed us the opportunity to have a better [life].**

“How are your parents emblematic of the American Dream, you think ?”

“It’s actually an interesting question I talk a lot about in my book “American Dreams” because my parents are part of a time in American history where **virtually anyone who was willing to work hard could find a job that paid them enough to live off . Maybe you weren’t rich, but a job that paid you enough to one day own a home ,you know, have a family car ,maybe take, you know, modest vacations and ultimately send your kids to college and leave them better off than yourself**. And that was my parents’ experience. They had very little formal education ,either one of them. **But working as a bartender and a maid, my parents made it to the middle class.** I mean, we owned a home in a safe and stable neighborhood. **And their kids, all four of their children ended being college graduates and had lives much better than our parents.**

That’s not just our story. That, that is **the backbone of the American story**, and it’s why I wanted to write this book “American Dreams” that we have today. And that a growing number of Americans are finding that’s no longer true .