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PI2025 #1124 – To Restrict People’s Choice

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“We are living in a sick society filled with people who would not directly steal from their neighbor but who are willing to demand that the government do it for them.”

~ *William L. Comer*

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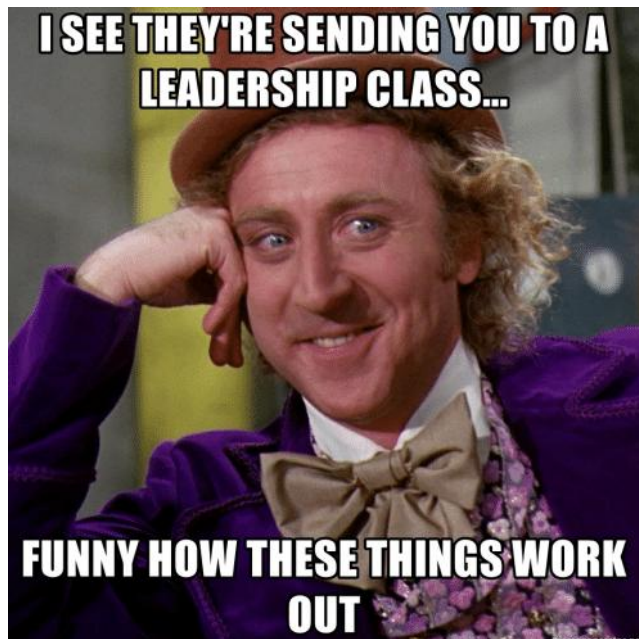
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“America was born of revolt, flourished on dissent, became great through experimentation.”

~ *Henry Steele Commager*

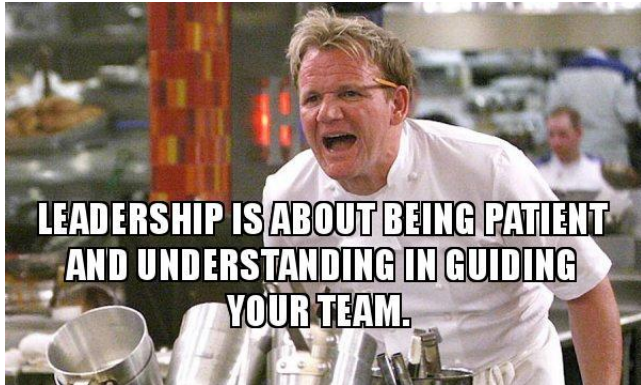


There’s A Retired Educator who is of a mind “Our, the American People’s” socio-economic ills are worsened by bad leaders of unethical character, and weak leaders whose character urges them to fear accountability. Not

as though such an assessment has not been around a while. Entirely possible it comes from an insatiable desire – by leaders, regardless their character - to restrict people’s choice.

“Perhaps one of the most important accomplishments of my administration has been minding my own business.”

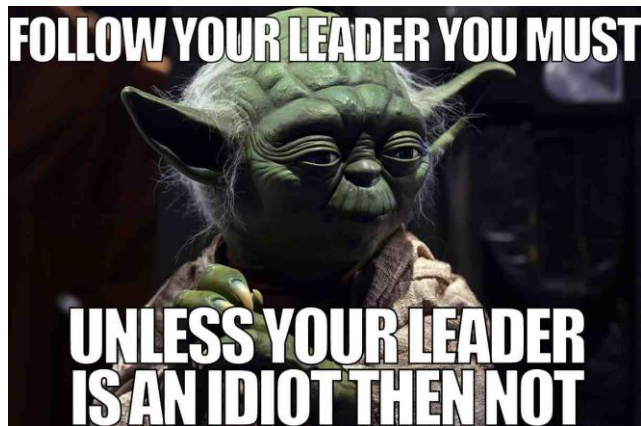
~ *Calvin Coolidge*



Consider One Group OF America’s Leaders. Legislators. Legislators, by their very nature, strive to make their personal attitudes, values, and beliefs (PAVB) lawfully compulsory. Not a though chore. America’s commonwealth, federal (U.S./National), and state Constitutions empower legislators to make laws consistent with Constitutional guidelines and safeguards. As they, legislators, see fit.

“You can only be free if I am free.”

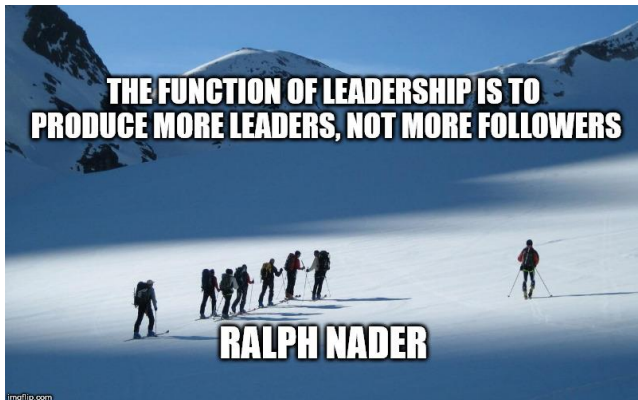
~ *Clarence Darrow*



“We, the American People” would be smart to recognize, acknowledge, appreciate, and act on a crucial point of fact. Were we to do some AI digging on immutable legal standards, we’re apt to find immutable standards in law, such as they are, center on law treating everyone alike, along with evolving as public debate and societal norms provoke. Law yesterday, not necessarily law today, debatable law tomorrow.

“Drug misuse is not a disease, it is a decision, like the decision to step out in front of a moving car. You would call that not a disease but an error of judgment.”

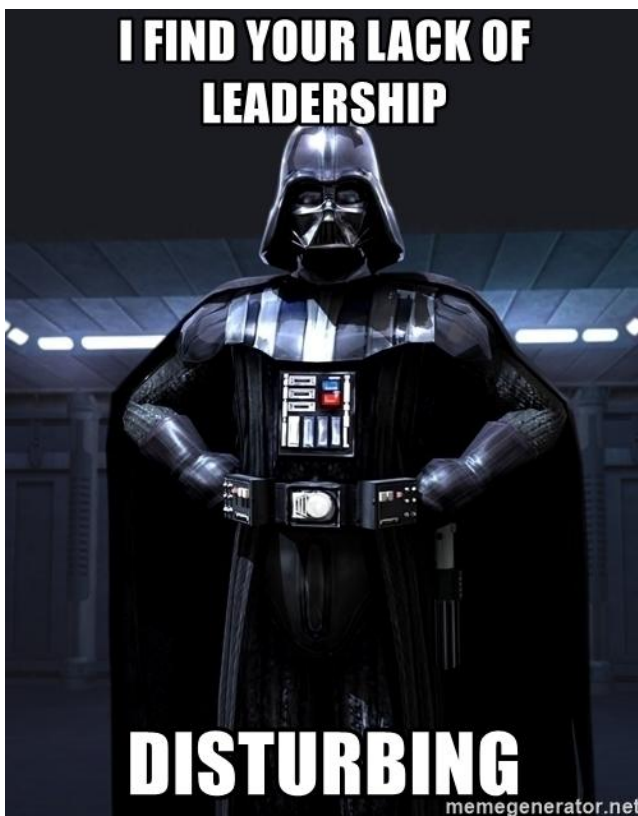
~ *Philip K. Dick*



Socio-Economic Systems Governances have never, based on historical record-keeping, been universally acceptable to those governed. Efforts to institutionalize them by force of law have failed to produce much more than resentment and outright rebellion. Odds are, we'll keep at it still, one fine day in some future time we'll figure out it can't work. Because our nature is to shun coercion away.

“When a legislature undertakes to proscribe the exercise of a citizen’s constitutional rights it acts lawlessly and the citizen can take matters into his own hands and proceed on the basis that such a law is no law at all.”

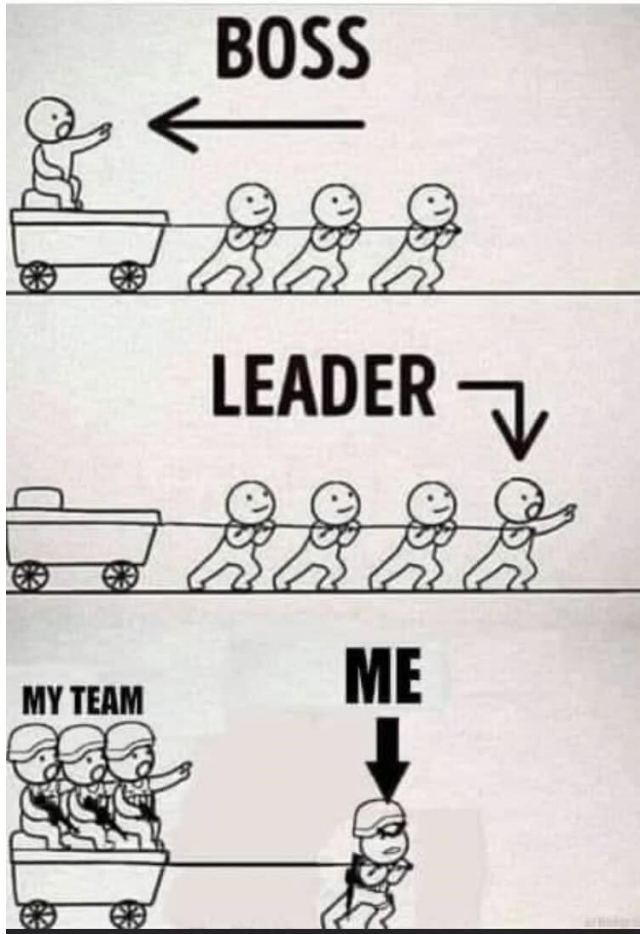
~ *William O. Douglas*



People Intending To Live In Liberty do not allow legislators – or other public officials within These United States of America, to interfere or impose in any way with how responsible citizens choose to use their private property. They protect their property against government intrusion – with force if necessary.

“A tyranny based on ... deception and maintained by terror must inevitably perish from the poison it generates within itself.”

~ *Albert Einstein*



Think it Through, See It Through

"I gave my life for freedom -- This I know; For those who bade me fight had told me so."

~ *William Norman Ewer*

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Len Ritchey

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~ *Napoleon Bonaparte*

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“Don’t do drugs because if you do drugs you’ll go to prison, and drugs are really expensive in prison.”

~ **John Hardwick**

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“Past studies by and large confirm the prediction that higher minimum wages reduce employment opportunities and raise unemployment, particularly among teenagers, minorities and other low-skilled workers.”

~ **Masanori Hashimoto**



knows nothing



All our knowledge has
its origins in our
perceptions

“We, the American People” would be smart to recognize President Donald J. Trump’s ‘Big Beautiful Bill’ (BBB) includes taxation categories not unlike every tax scheme designed to optimize government tax revenue

through selective, arbitrary, and discriminatory legislation, taxation, and regulation (SADLT&R). Whether President Donald J.'s BBB is fair is a matter of how we view taxation.

“We find many things to which the prohibition of them constitutes the only temptation.”

~ *William Hazlitt*

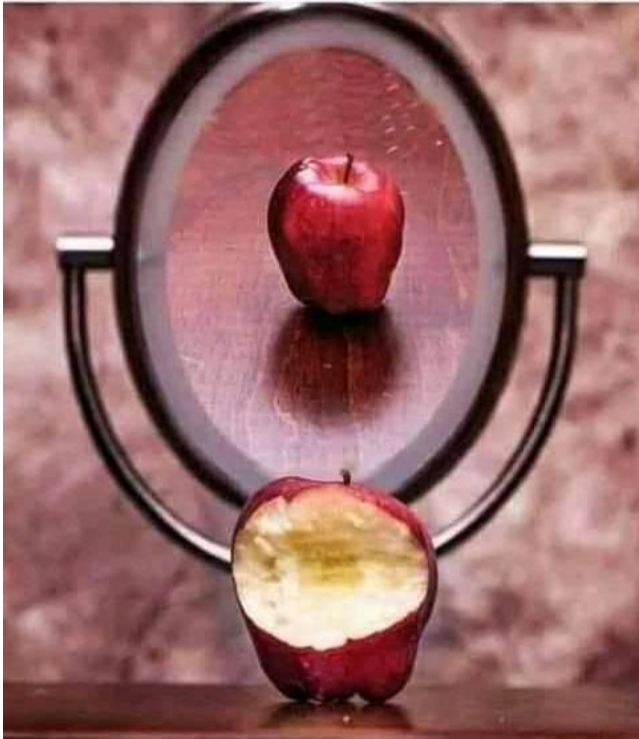


Taxation Is Fair, According to “Our, the American People’s” Artificial Information (AI) data banks describes fair taxation as embodying fair and just principles of taxation. Regardless how our notions of fair and just might vary, our government officials are empowered, by force of law, to decide who shall be taxed how much. Ergo, we, logically, can consider government-ordered taxation fair and just.

“Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery! Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!”

~ *Patrick Henry*

Thought for the day - Social Media never shows the whole picture. Perfection is an illusion



Media Coverage Of BBB Tax Categories notes as people's income increase, so do their tax advantages. Otherwise put, people in lower tax brackets are burdened with more of their income spent on basic needs than are people in higher tax brackets. It is unlikely there will never be a tax policy suitable for "Us, the American People" while income disparity prevails in American society. Fairness unattainable.

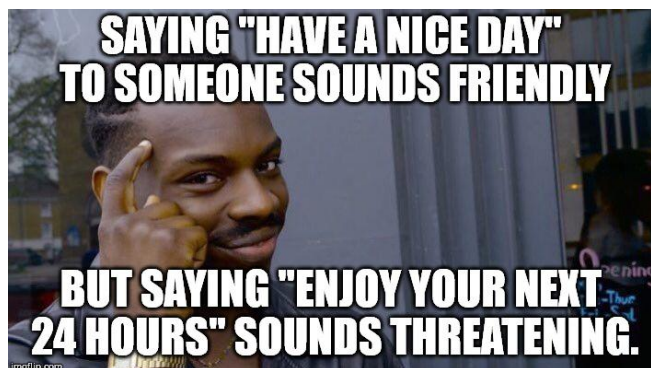
"The broad masses of a population are more amenable to the appeal of rhetoric than to any other force."
~ *Adolf Hitler*



An Example Of Government Using SADLT&R is President Donald J. Trump promising America's military members a \$1,776 as a 'warrior dividend' in appreciation for their sacrificial service. There is no doubt there are large numbers of Americans who disagree vehemently with President Donald J.'s 'warrior dividend.' Government picks and chooses with SADLT&R as we allow government to choose.

"I never hurt nobody but myself and that's nobody's business but my own."

~ *Billie Holiday*



People Choosing To Live In Liberty do not allow legislators - or other public officials within These United States of America, to enter into contracts with collective bargaining units. They uphold citizen sovereignty to prevent government from imposing debt-laden defined benefit contracts.

“Historically, much of the motivation for public schooling has been to stifle variety and institute social control.”

~ *Jack Hugh*

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PI2025 #1122 – (BA) Happy Bill Of Rights Day!

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“As citizens, we all have an obligation to intervene and become involved - it’s the citizen who changes things.”

~ **Jose Saramago**

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AAH Reader (<bethannscstalkradio@substack.com>) **Circulates Periodic** perspectives under “*Beth Ann From Beyond the Microphone.*” Commentary (***Happy Bill Of Rights Day!***) below.

AAH Considers Beth Ann’s Observations on point in “Our, the American People’s” clash with those who would undermine Liberty.

Please Help Spread Beth Ann’s message far and wide.

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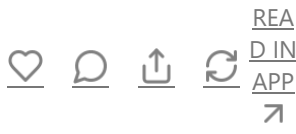
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BETH ANN

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After months of debates, heated debates, they finally had a document they “all” could agree on and place their signature to... well, almost all.

As the convention was finally coming to a close, forty-one delegates solemnly met in the east room of Independence Hall to pen their signatures to this new document, The Constitution of the united States of America. *Aww that has the sweet sound of Liberty to it...*

But wait, the stoic figure, George Mason, with determination in his physique, stood before the others and said, **“I would rather cut off my right hand than to put it to that document.”** *Woah, that was pretty dramatic!*

James Madison inquired, **“Why at this late hour would you not sign it?”**

Colonel Mason blurted out, **“Because it does not have a Bill of Rights!”**

Madison assured him, **“But Colonel Mason, we have not given the Federal Government enough power to trample our rights.”**

Today, we should take heed of Colonel Mason’s reply:

“But they will, they always do!”

It came at a later date, but to the benefit and protection of our Liberty, on **December 15, 1791**, the Bill of Rights was ratified and put in place, to secure our Liberty and to restrict those in government. I like to think of our Bill of Rights as the warning instructions before you open the governing tool we call the Constitution.

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The U.S. Bill of Rights

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment III

No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Amendment V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval

forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Amendment VI

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defence.

Amendment VII

In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Amendment VIII

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Amendment IX

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Amendment X

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

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These ten amendments are not complicated; in fact, they were intentionally written for ease of comprehension. The purpose? To restrict those in government positions from legislating in opposition to the natural rights of **We the People**.

Colonel Mason was absolutely, unequivocally, correct... **“They” will always trample the rights of the people.**

We the People!!!

Our Founding Fathers knew this, they tried to guard it from happening, and they tried to warn us.

“The tyranny of the legislatures is the most formidable dread at present, and will be for long years. That of the executive will come in its turn, but it will be at a remote period. I know there are some among us who would now establish a monarchy.”

Thomas Jefferson wrote to Colonel Mason

It has been my personal observation that with every “new” bill the legislature writes, **We the People** lose more rights. Take the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), that has long been a topic of contention, as it was used to spy on political opponents and **We the People**. Is FISA not in violation of the Fourth Amendment? Does such give too much power to the federal government?

Yes, Colonel Mason, THEY WILL and THEY HAVE! “They” will always trample the rights of the people... The tyranny of the legislatures is the most formidable dread at present, and will be for long years.

The tyranny of the legislatures has been the insurrection of our Constitutional Republic, and it is they who have stolen our Liberty, with each swipe of their pens they legislate against us.

We the People are the only HOPE for the restoration of America's Constitutional Republic. Do not think there is any one person in Congress, the House or the Senate, who care a snip about our safety, our economy, or our Liberty?! The bills are convoluted, to say the least, and are multifaceted and infringe on our rights. They have a pretense of safety, or some help with "healthcare," or other unconstitutional nonsense, however the bottom line is usually money for them, not Liberty for us.

Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness does not appear to be the objective of any of our legislative or judicial branches of government. Both are in what seems to be a constant state of obstruction of the current Executive Branch; President Donald J. Trump. Imposing threats of impeachment against persons in President Trump's cabinet, President Trump himself, and the fact that the Senate cannot move forward with President Trump's nominations for additional executive branch positions, are all blatant denials of the **Will of We the People** and a refusal to honor the 2024 election: Consent of the Governed.

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The republicans have done nothing to end the blue-slip tradition. *The blue slip tradition in the U.S. Senate is a century-old custom where the Judiciary Committee chair sends a blue piece of paper (the "blue slip") to home-state senators for a presidential judicial nominee, asking them to approve or object. Returning it positively signifies consent for the nominee to advance; withholding or returning it negatively can effectively block the nomination, preserving senators' say, but it's a political tool often debated for obstruction.*

Knowing that this blue-slip is an obstruction tool, why are the republicans in the Senate continuing this "tradition?" It is not a part of the Constitution, nor is it an amendment within the Bill of Rights, in fact, it is in defiance of how our governmental procedures should be handled. Which leaves us all wondering just exactly why the republicans continue to "honor" this age-old unconstitutional custom.

Our Founding Fathers kicked around a lot of conversations, but all were to insure that **We the People** held the power in our governance, not the "government" officials, for it is known power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely!

As a prequel I share with you this partial writing from Thomas Jefferson to James Madison - 15 Mar. 1789*Papers 14:659-61*

“Your thoughts on the subject of the Declaration of rights in the letter of Oct. 17, I have weighed with great satisfaction. Some of them had not occurred to me before, but were acknowledged just in the moment they were presented to my mind. In the arguments in favor of a declaration of rights, you omit one which **has great weight with me**, the legal check which it puts into the hands of the judiciary. This is a body, which if rendered independent, and kept strictly to their own department, merits great confidence for their learning and integrity. In fact what degree of confidence would be too much for a body composed of such men as Wythe, Blair, and Pendleton? On characters like these the **“civium ardor prava jubentium”** would make no impression. I am happy to find that on the whole you are a friend to this amendment. **The Declaration of rights** is like all other human blessings alloyed with some inconveniences, and not accomplishing fully it’s object. **But the good in this instance vastly overweighs the evil.** I cannot refrain from making short answers to the objections which your letter states to have been raised.

1. That the rights in question are reserved by the manner in which the federal powers are granted. **Answer.** A constitutive act may certainly be so formed as to need no declaration of rights. The act itself has the force of a declaration as far as it goes: and if it goes to all material points nothing more is wanting. In the draught of a constitution which I had once a thought of proposing in Virginia, and printed afterwards, I endeavored to reach all the great objects of public liberty, and did not mean to add a declaration of rights. Probably the object was imperfectly executed: but the deficiencies would have been supplied by others in the course of discussion. But in a constitutive act which leaves some precious articles unnoticed, and raises implications against others, a **declaration of rights** becomes necessary by way of supplement. This is the case of our new federal constitution. This instrument forms us into one state as to certain objects, and gives us a legislative and executive body for these objects. It should therefore guard us against their abuses of power within the field submitted to them.

2. A positive declaration of some essential rights could not be obtained in the requisite latitude. **Answer.** Half a loaf is better than no bread. If we cannot secure all our rights, let us secure what we can.

3. The limited powers of the federal government and jealousy of the subordinate governments afford a security which exists in no other instance. **Answer.** The first member of this seems resolvable into the first objection before stated. The jealousy of the subordinate governments is a precious reliance. But observe that those **governments are only agents**. They must have principles furnished them whereon to found their opposition. **The declaration of rights will be the text whereby they will try all the acts of the federal government. In this view it is necessary to the federal government also: as by the same text they may try the opposition of the subordinate governments.**

4. Experience proves the inefficacy of a bill of rights. True. But tho it is not absolutely efficacious under all circumstances, it is of great potency always, and rarely inefficacious. A brace the more will often keep up the building which would have fallen with that brace the less. **There is a remarkable difference between the characters of the Inconveniencies which attend a Declaration of rights**, and those which attend the want of it. The inconveniences of the Declaration are that it may cramp government in it's useful exertions. But the evil of this is short lived, moderate, and reparable. The inconveniencies of the want of a Declaration are permanent, afflicting and irreparable: they are in constant progression from bad to worse. The executive in our governments is not the sole, it is scarcely the principal object of my jealousy. **The tyranny of the legislatures is the most formidable dread at present, and will be for long years.** That of the executive will come in its turn, but it will be at a remote period. I know there are some among us who would now establish a monarchy. But they are inconsiderable in number and weight of character. The rising race are all republicans. We were educated in royalism: no wonder if some of us retain that idolatry still. Our young people are educated in republicanism. An apostacy from that to royalism is unprecedented and impossible. **I am much pleased with the prospect that a declaration of rights will be added: and hope it will be done in that way which will not endanger the whole frame of the government, or any essential part of it.**
(end of letter)

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It's quite remarkable the thought that our Founding Fathers put into their ideas for our governing structure. None of their ideas took thousands of pages or multifaceted committees to implement.

“It will be of little avail to the people that the laws are made by men of their own choice if the laws be so voluminous that they cannot be read, or so incoherent that they cannot be understood.” James Madison

This is much different than Nancy Pelosi, who as speaker said, *“First we must pass the bill, (which was thousands of pages), then we can read it and find out what’s in it.”* **Certainly, the forethoughts of our legislators today are not focused on Liberty for We the People.**

We the People are the government, but we have failed to keep an eye on our employees in D.C., as well as those in our own home statehouses. They have all taken advantage of our apathetic ways. We must wake up America and get involved. It's time for Americans to realize our rights and our duty to this our government.

Liberty was forever on the minds of our Founding Fathers. Should we not also be so dedicated to America's future generations? As we enter this our 250th Anniversary as an Independent America, rejoice in our Bill of Rights and know that Colonel Mason spoke the truth... **Government will always trample a man's rights; They always do!**

It is not complicated, but perhaps we will need to dedicate a bit more of our time and attention to these “employees” in D.C. We must become the vigilant patriots of today and **Bring America Home. ©**

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"Politics ought to be the part-time profession of every citizen who would protect the rights and privileges of free people and who would preserve what is good and fruitful in our national heritage."

~ ***Dwight D. Eisenhower***

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"That which we call sin in others is experiment for us."

~ *Ralph Waldo Emerson*





Joseph R Biden, Jr, Presidential library staff is \$199,989,000 short of the \$200,000,000 estimated cost of breaking ground.

**---12/15/25,
New York Times**

“Our, the American People’s” Golden State on our Pacific coast has a law promoting higher ethanol content gasoline. Law’s purpose is to lower fuel costs for Golden State fuel consumers. Media look at energy-saving law (E-15), oddly enough, does not offer hard data on how E-15 is making it less expensive to drive cars around California – or, anywhere. Prime reason, regulatory cost eats savings.

“So long as we need to control other people, however benign our motives, we are captive to that need. In giving them freedom, we free ourselves.”

~ **Marilyn Ferguson**



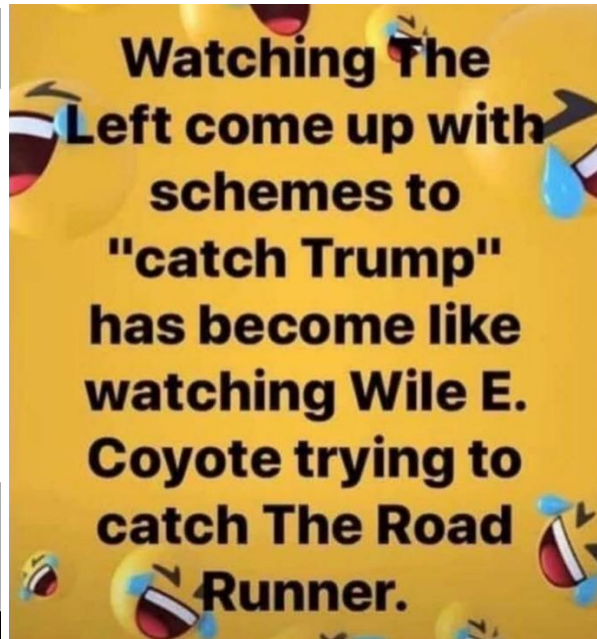
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The only way to restore rule of the people in America is to impeach judges. No one is above the law, including judges.

That is what it took to fix El Salvador. Same applies to America.



PATRIOTPOST.US: ANALYSIS FROM OUTSIDE THE BELTWAY



What once was known as the "Democrat Party" is now the "Despicable Party". **EVERYTHING** they propose, everything they stand for, everything they say is Despicable.



"We, the American People" would be smart to give some thought As to how it is laws, when they don't work, why they don't. Our friendly AI information repositories offer several notions on why laws don't pan out as lawmakers intend. Reasons amount to law's inability to control circumstances.

“Fundamentally, there are only two ways of coordinating the economic activities of millions. One is central direction involving the use of coercion – the technique of the army and of the modern totalitarian state. The other is voluntary cooperation of individuals – the technique of the marketplace.”

~ *Milton Friedman*

I am a MUSLIM, and I HATE Jews & Christians & Infidels!

We STAND STRONG against aggression—**ALWAYS**.

They must convert to ISLAM, or I will **KILL THEM ALL!**


With that **STRENGTH**, Jesus taught us to **LOVE** our enemies.

The Qur'an is my guide to paradise. Death in Jihad!

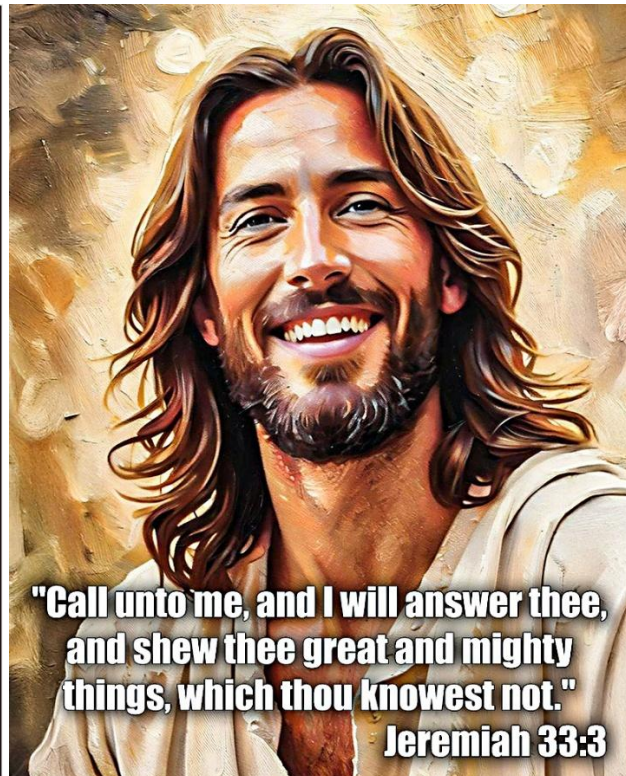
LISTEN to your Heart & Soul! Remember how Children Feel.

72 Virgins are waiting for me. Find your **LOVE & LEAVE** the violence & hatred of Islam.

For Infidels, **HELL** is waiting. Find your **JOY** in **PEACE**.



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"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

Jeremiah 33:3

THESE AREN'T THE PEOPLE



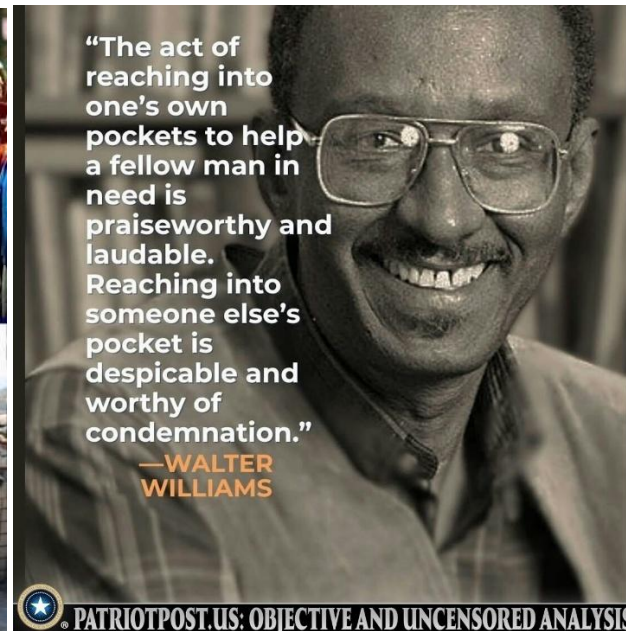
THAT FOUGHT FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM



YOU'RE THINKING OF THESE PEOPLE

"The act of reaching into one's own pockets to help a fellow man in need is praiseworthy and laudable. Reaching into someone else's pocket is despicable and worthy of condemnation."

—WALTER WILLIAMS



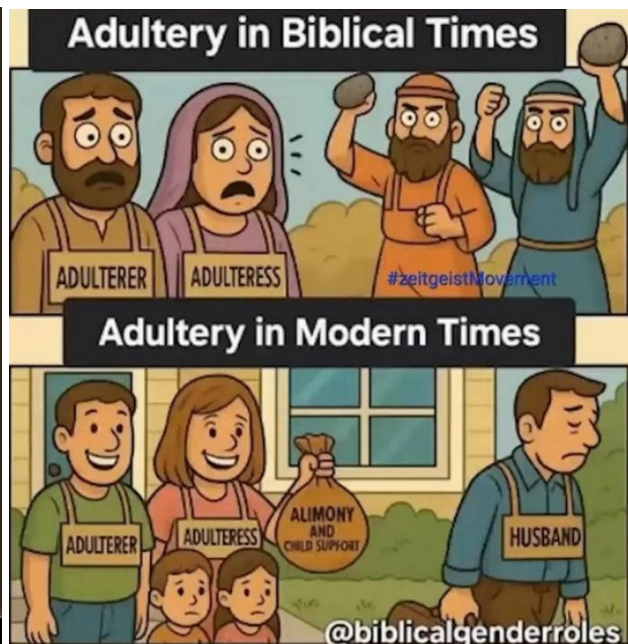
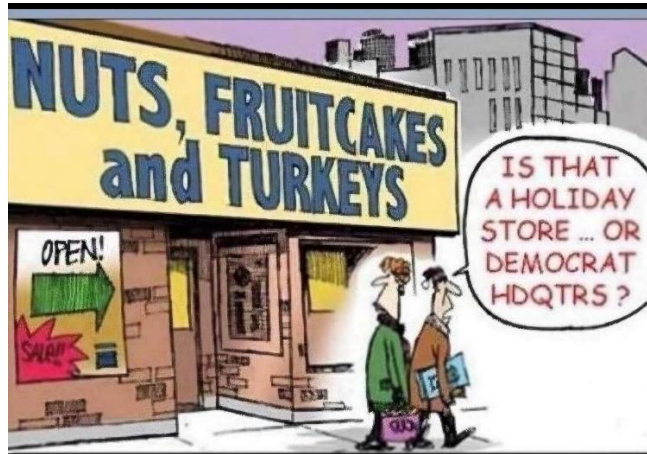
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An Example Of Why Laws can be ineffective is infringement on civil liberties. Laws don't prompt change simply because laws are laws. No law means anything without enforcement. Enforcing laws,

typically, entails use of force. Should it occur to “Us, the American People” to give laws our cold shoulders, we might find ourselves on receiving ends of not so warm response from law enforcement.

“Civil disobedience becomes a sacred duty when the State becomes lawless or, which is the same thing, corrupt.”

~ *Mohandas Gandhi*



Laws, If References On Laws are credible, are indispensable for a structured society. Pithy. No passing thought to ponder, if so, how people find it acceptable to dismiss or violate laws. Stop signs are to prevent vehicle wrecks. Stops signs, alone, don't stop wrecks. Additional rules on who gets to move after everyone is stopped make for orderly traffic flow. Even so, intersection wrecks happen.

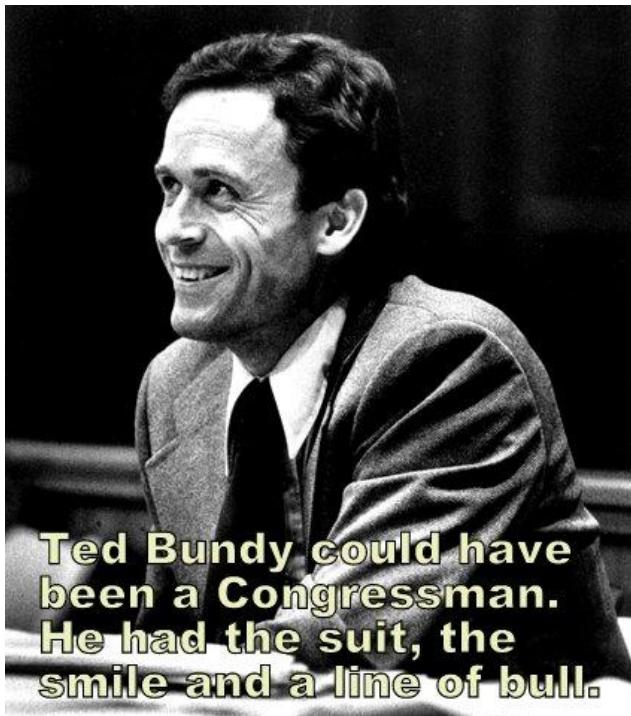
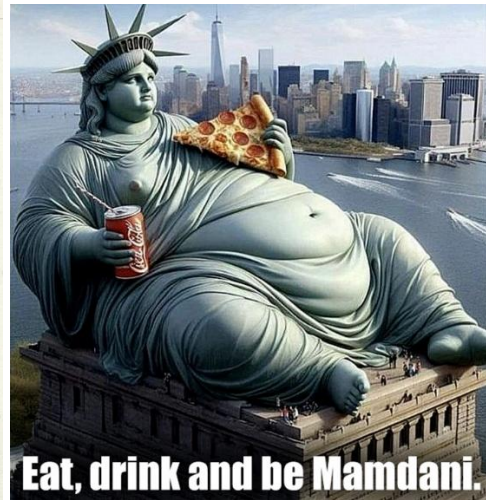
“The right of revolution is an inherent one. When people are oppressed by their government, it is a natural right they enjoy to relieve themselves of oppression, if they are strong enough, whether by withdrawal from it, or by overthrowing it and substituting a government more acceptable.”

~ *Ulysses S. Grant*



Jew-Hating Muslims Murder 15 in 'Gun-Free' Australia

NATE JACKSON



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“The best we can hope for concerning the people at large is that they be properly armed.”

~ **Alexander Hamilton**

Think it Through, See It Through

"I gave my life for freedom -- This I know; For those who bade me fight had told me so."

~ **William Norman Ewer**

- It's your property, not "State" property.
- Let Freedom Ring – **Abolish** Direct Taxation
Require Citizen-Controlled Taxation

Best Wishes,

Len Ritchey

“Nothing is more difficult, and therefore more precious, than to be able to decide.”

~ *Napoleon Bonaparte*

“No tendency is quite so strong in human nature as the desire to lay down rules of conduct for other people.”

~ *President Taft*

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