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# THE CONSTITUTION OF A NATION



*The Hidden Purpose  
of America*

# Revolution!



We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

## The Declaration of Independence (July 4, 1776)

Such beautiful words... A declaration of war... How could they hope for such freedom after centuries of political and religious oppression? That same dark spirit followed them over to the new world. But, in their hearts and minds what they sought was not unreasonable, but simply the freedom to exercise their God-given rights. They were willing to give their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to realize this hope.

It's important that we come to understand what was happening in the spiritual realm to bring about this once-great nation. Consider the words of Thomas Paine one year before the signing of the Declaration of Independence:

*We have it in our power to begin the world over again. A situation, similar to the present, hath not happened since the days of Noah until now. The birthday of a new world is at hand, and a race of men, perhaps as numerous as all Europe contains, are to receive their portion of freedom from the events of a few months.*

*- Thomas Paine - 1775*

And the words of General George Washington just two days before the Declaration was signed:

*"The time is now near at hand which must probably determine whether Americans are to be freemen or slaves; whether they are to have any property they can call their own; whether their houses and farms are to be pillaged and destroyed, and themselves consigned to a state of wretchedness from which no human efforts will deliver them. The fate of unborn millions will now depend, under God, on the courage and conduct of this army. Our cruel and unrelenting enemy leaves us only the choice of brave resistance, or the most abject submission. We have, therefore, to resolve to conquer or die."*

*George Washington  
General Orders –  
Tuesday, July 02,  
1776*



explained as “divine providence.” And surely it was!

But what was in the heart of our Creator in establishing the “Land of the free and home of the brave?” Was it just to create another decadent society with abundant food and careless ease?<sup>1</sup> Does “Soul Freedom” mean the freedom to indulge in all our selfish pleasures without shame? Is that what God moved the hearts of men to give their lives to accomplish? Quite the opposite!

The more you understand about the circumstances of the Revolutionary War, the more you realize the sheer impossibility of victory for this untrained, undisciplined, rag-tag collection of men and boys, that they could actually win the war. The well-trained, well-supplied British Army wasn't the only enemy. They were hit on every side, even by their fellow Americans who were loyal to Great Britain. Yet the pages of history tell an amazing story of miraculous events that could only be

In this paper, we hope to begin to explain the hidden purpose of God in establishing this country, and the work he is doing even now to fulfill his ultimate purpose. We hope you will take the time to read these words. And if your heart is stirred, as ours is, to be a part of what he is doing on the earth, then come and join the revolution! 🇺🇸

<sup>1</sup> Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had arrogance, abundant food and careless ease, but she did not help the poor and needy. (Ezekiel 16:49)

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Today most Americans seem to have forgotten the evils that forced their ancestors to flee to this country. The colonists wanted to form a government that allowed all men to be free. Fundamentally, this was the freedom to obey their conscience. They had lived for years under governments that did not acknowledge the rights of commoners. Instead those governments demanded absolute allegiance to the king and his church. Matters of religion and conscience were not considered personal or private by those in power. The religion of the ruler was the religion of the people...or else!

For most rulers, religion was an effective tool of control over, if possible, even the minds of men. When religion failed to suppress men's thoughts, and they actually dared to speak something new, cruel persecutions quickly came. It was viewed as necessary to keep everyone in their place. If faith wouldn't do it, fear would. So, rulers used the common people as pawns in their own power struggles. Religion became the justification for many of history's most cruel, barbaric wars.



Even in New England prior to 1787 (when the Constitution was written) people were persecuted for their religious beliefs. Women had been convicted and sentenced to death as witches. These were the infamous Salem Witch Trials. A generation before, Quakers had lost their lives for their faith in Massachusetts. Different sects were still being persecuted as late as the American Revolution. This happened in the colonies of Virginia and Massachusetts where church and state were united. In those states there was no freedom of religion. In colonies where there was religious freedom, such as Rhode Island, there was no persecution.

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Americans in the Revolution were ready for something new. They set out to design a civil government more radical than any in history. It would guarantee the rights of the individual. They stated emphatically that government was not the creator of those rights, but rather charged with protecting them.

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*- Declaration of Independence*

Those rights came from the Creator. These men and women saw that freedom of conscience was a person's most valuable possession. These men discovered something amazing. Since all men had an inalienable right (one that cannot be taken away) to live in obedience to their consciences, an entire society had the chance to find true freedom and true emancipation.<sup>1</sup> They knew that those who lived by their consciences would be the guiding light of the nation.<sup>2</sup> With the formation of the Constitution and Bill of Rights, America held out a promise of a new society to the whole world. It was to be fresh, equal, just, open, free, and forever respectful of the human conscience.

The Constitution and the Bill of Rights were the charter documents of this nation. They were designed to be written limitations on government's power. This was the clear and stated intention of the Founding Fathers in writing them.

<sup>1</sup> They found encouragement for this view in the Scriptures, which gave the fundamental reason for religious freedom: that men could grope for God, if perhaps they could find Him (Acts 17:26-27).

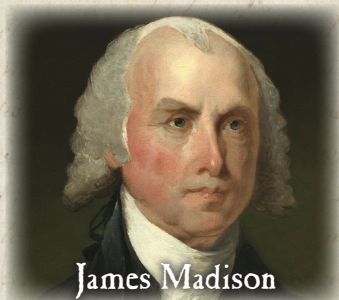
<sup>2</sup> This "guiding light of conscience" is what Benjamin Franklin meant what he stated what the Constitutional Convention had made: "A constitution, if you can keep it."

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It was James Madison, the Father of the Constitution, who realized, perhaps more than anyone else in his time, that the people were sovereign.<sup>3</sup> The officials, those the people elected, were merely the servants of the people. Their most important service was to protect the individual rights of the people. As the principle author of the United States Constitution, we must give him credit for the moving words of its preamble:

*We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.*

<sup>3</sup> 140 years before this, the first American founder, Roger Williams, said the same thing in his revolutionary book, *The Bloody Tenent of Persecution for Cause of Conscience*: "The sovereign, original, and foundation of civil power lies in the people. . . . And if so, a people may erect and establish what form of government seems to them most meet for their civil condition. It is evident that such governments as are by them erected and established have no more power, nor for no longer time, than the civil power or people consenting and agreeing shall entrust them with." Jefferson's Declaration of Independence echoes his words!



Madison saw that if these documents were to be anything but sugar-coated promises, they must be absolutely binding. Further, the courts must enforce these written guarantees. They would do so by not allowing any government action against an individual that violate his inalienable rights. These rights are eloquently listed in the Bill of Rights.

The framers of the Constitution gave this document the authority to command. They could because it was by the consent of the people that this Constitution came into power. By it, all citizens of the republic could be governed. This absolute standard was written in plain English so that it could be understood by common people. They wanted and needed a binding law that could not be lightly changed. Its meaning was and is so clear to anyone who takes the time to study it.

This document would not need "experts" to interpret its meaning. It commands what government can and cannot do. It is the ultimate standard in defining boundaries of government in this country. So, the Constitution and Bill of Rights were designed to be limitations of the government's power over the people.

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William O. Douglas. It was written several generations ago:

*We Americans seem to assume that all of us are born with knowledge of the Bill of Rights and with insight into its mysteries. Most school boards, however, could not pass an examination on it. Neither could most parent-teacher associations. Most of our teachers would fail. Yet knowledge of man's rights against government, the restraints on police, the place of the church in society, should be known to all youth counselors if the upcoming generation is to be raised with a knowledge of the Free Society.*

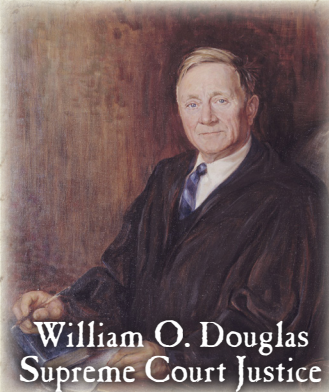
*We have assumed that everyone will acquire this basic knowledge by an osmosis that comes from living here. Yet, one has only to read the press to realize how remote the editors are. They sound an alarm when a non-conformist is loose on campus; they administer a sedative when a crime is "solved" by the use of the third degree method, or a man is imprisoned for his beliefs... One has only to read the press and listen to public conversations to realize that few community*

### "If you can keep it"

Ultimately, the real power of these guarantees would depend upon the moral fabric of the whole nation. *The people's constitution must match the nation's Constitution!* This is essential to preserving the rights of all men. As soon as people lose their willingness to take moral responsibility for their actions, tyranny and oppression arise. If the people do not have self-control, governments must provide it no matter the cost.

The process has been slow and gradual, like the famous parable, "Frog Stew." As the "frog" (society) is stewed, glaring violations of the people's rights are not even noticed. Should the schools educate America's youth about their rights when the government no longer upholds them, and in fact actively and openly violates them?

Working hand in hand with this moral decline, and also contributing to it, is compulsory education. Through what is taught, how it is taught, and what is not taught, public schools have effectively removed basic understanding of what inalienable rights are. Don't believe this? Consider the keen observation of former Supreme Court Justice,



William O. Douglas  
Supreme Court Justice

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*leaders have ever been briefed on the Bill of Rights.*

*We are more and more informed by worldwide press coverage; yet we have lost some of our spirit of inquiry and challenge. We walk more and more in unison as if some mysterious force was herding us, a free people, in the manner in which the people of Russia and China are herded. The same docile attitude seems to have possessed most colleges and universities, most of the foundations, most of the press.<sup>4</sup>*

What about today? Do the American people know any more about free government in the 2020's than they did in the 1960's? It would seem that fewer care now than before. Lawyers and judges are proving to be some of the most desensitized to the true spirit of justice. At least in the 60's there was an intellectual and social outrage against injustice. Where has that voice gone? It cannot be heard by those who ignore their conscience. *Compromise* is the word of the hour.

### **The Essential Freedom is the Freedom of Religion**

In 1787, when the Continental Congress assembled to draft the Constitution, religious freedom had long been under attack. Madison himself was a man with deep convictions concerning religious freedom. In 1783 he wrote:

<sup>4</sup> Douglas, W. O.,"

**The right of conscience is in itself an inalienable right. What is here a right toward men is a duty to the Creator.**

He believed that in matters of religion, no man's right is to be violated (abridged) by civil government, and that religion is wholly exempt from its jurisdiction. These men realized that *the most essential freedom found is each man's right to obey God by following his conscience.* The first amendment to the Constitution is very clear in its intent to protect this right. It is written in simple, plain English so that no legal interpretation is necessary:

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.<sup>5</sup>*

Madison also wrote concerning the nature of the first amendment:

*"There is not a shadow of right in the general government to intermeddle with religion," and, "This subject is, for the honor of America, perfectly free and unshackled. The government has no jurisdiction over it."*

<sup>5</sup> The First Amendment continues with the words, "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."



Constitutional Convention  
Philadelphia – 1787

These men were masters at saying just what they meant. These freedoms were not to be easily betrayed by the interpretation of any legislative body or court. *The statements stand for themselves and are absolutely binding.*

There are impassioned defenders of liberty today, but they wield no great power. We read about men such as James Madison in our history classes, but somehow his vision, his zeal, and his spirit have disappeared from so many of our lives. What did America stand for originally?

It is a sad but true fact of history, including American history, that when the majority ignore their conscience they also ignore the sufferings of others, particularly the sufferings of the minorities. As Justice Douglas wrote, no protest is raised at the oppression of those trying to live by their conscience. These are signs of the collapsing moral fabric of society.

The Constitution has reserved the greatest amount of power not for

dignitaries, but for the people. It was designed to give the power of the government to the governed — “just plain, everyday people.” But the people have lost touch with the true essence of their republican form of government.<sup>6</sup>

### The New Puritans

Most of the once-cognitive ones have had their human voices slowly muffled and stifled and strangled. Success, reputation, money, pleasure, independence, etc., became their real goals. Amazingly, they became the “new Puritans” — much like their ancestors long ago.

The Puritans had sought “liberty” only for themselves in coming to America. They brought the whole apparatus of spiritual and political oppression with them from England — including its gruesome punishments. The only thing they “fled” from was not being in control. In New England they had

<sup>6</sup> This is not a reference to the political party of the same name, but the government formed by electing representatives whose every decision reflects the character and desires of the citizens they represent.

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control, and they used it to silence dissent and to enforce their way for men to seek for God.

**Today's Puritans are seldom religious, but they love to have control! They very "righteously" seek to deny liberty to those around them who disagree with their politics, beliefs, and lifestyles.**

### Freedom of Religion

The freedom of religion and all that it represents — freedom of thought, of association with like-minded individuals, the right to practice what one believes — is the most essential freedom. Historically, it has been the most opposed. Opposition to it is rising today. There must be a people who stand upon their beliefs regardless of the consequences. If not, those who seek to control men's beliefs will prevail. Such control has happened many times before, always resulting in violence and oppression. We who write this paper simply seek to stand on the ground our forefathers won for us at great cost, and the higher and holier ground our Master purchased for us with his own blood.

We have found in this stand, in this faith, a meaning and a purpose for our lives. Our lives are in the hands of the God of Heaven. We look to no other. However, those who hear his voice in their conscience and uphold our freedom (and so everyone's), are those who hear "his (God's) secret council with the upright".<sup>7</sup> They will have their own, even eternal reward. ❧

**"The sum of all is, if we would most truly enjoy the gift of Heaven, let us become a virtuous people; then shall we both deserve and enjoy it. While on the other hand, if we are universally vicious and debauched in our manners, though the form of our Constitution carries the face of the most exalted freedom, we shall in reality be the most abject slaves."**

**Samuel Adams**

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<sup>7</sup> Proverbs 3:32

# If You Can Keep It!

## Learning from History

Shortly after the delegates in the Constitutional Convention of 1787 had put their signatures to their work, Benjamin Franklin, the oldest delegate, was asked, "Well Dr. Franklin, what have you given us?" His answer is curious and full of meaning: "A republic, if you can keep it." Benjamin Franklin was not a careless speaker. Nor was he flippant or trite. There was usually much meaning behind his well considered words. His answer portrayed hope, but also a warning...

History is full of important lessons that we would do well to learn. I don't mean the facts and dates that we learned in school. I am referring to moral lessons — lessons of cause and effect. These are the harder lessons to learn. They often reveal something about our own shortcomings. But if we fail to learn the lessons of history we are doomed to repeat them. Dr. Franklin's answer was obviously full of meaning. What was he trying to communicate?



I believe farther that this is likely to be well administred for a Course of Years, and can only end in Despotism as other Forms have done before it, when the People shall become so corrupted as to need Despotic Government, being incapable of any other.

**Benjamin Franklin  
on the Constitution**

It is fitting to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this great nation. It was quite phenomenal, even a miracle how it all happened. Those who gave their lives to establish this country 250 years ago deserve our deep appreciation and gratitude. But, do we understand the deep significance of what happened?

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What are we celebrating? Do we think about what it took to ensure that we have the freedoms we have in this country? Do we understand what motivated the Founders to risk everything to make such freedom possible for us? And perhaps most important, do we know what it takes to keep it?

### The Foundation of America

When we talk about the founding of this nation, we must include two major events that gave birth and structure to it. July 4th, 1776 was the day that the Declaration of Independence was brought before the American colonists. It proclaimed to the world that a new nation was beginning. It was essentially the birthday of the United States of America. For this country was born in the heart of the revolutionaries who signed that amazing document.

It was eleven years later, after four months of intense deliberation, that collection of men presented to the people of the various states, the proposed Constitution of the United States of America. This occurred in September of 1787. The approval of their work by the individual 13 states took another several months of often heated debate. The Founding Fa-

thers understood that these were weighty matters.

The years between 1776 and 1787 were not idle ones. The 13 States each drafted their own constitutions, and fought and won a war against the greatest military power in the world, thus winning their status as independent states. Then they bound themselves



together under the Articles of Confederation.

Many feared that the Articles of Confederation did not allow the national government enough authority to keep the states together. They felt that the nation would be weak compared to other nations and that such weakness would be taken advantage of. They wanted something stronger, with more authority, so the United States could take their stand among the great nations of the earth. But they realized that national, centralized authority could very easily grow over time to overshadow the rights of the citizens and become tyrannical.

History taught these men that *the tendency of government is to gain more and more power at the expense of the liberty of the citizens.* To guard against repeating this pattern, they knew they needed to establish a government that would be limited in its power over the people. It would require clear definition of its limited function. And it needed ways to be kept within those limitations.

In 1787, the men who were gathered together to propose a Constitution for the new nation regarded their efforts with great gravity and humility. They knew that their work would effect generations to come. To foster open debate they felt that their deliberations should be kept from the public till they had finally agreed upon a document to present to the nation. Over the months of the hot summer of 1787 they deliberated behind closed doors and windows, suffering the heat, the flies, and the lack of ventilation for the sake of their privacy to debate.

### **The Republic for Which it Stands**

What they produced and submitted to the States to ratify was a work of divinely-inspired genius. That means it was established by God, who sent angels to move the hearts of men to carry his purposes forward.<sup>1</sup> It was a *Constitutional Republic — a government bound by limitations designed by the people it governed.* The Founders understood

<sup>1</sup> See "*The Hidden Purpose of America*," page 16

something fundamental about governments through history. *Governments do not do a good job of governing themselves.* This proposed government would be formed as a servant of the people it governed. It would leave people the freedom to govern themselves. Such a structure would only work if the citizens remained faithful to a good moral foundation and didn't abandon their responsibility to keep the republic in its designed place.

A *republic* consists of people who are self-sufficient. They don't rely on the government for support. A Constitutional Republic is, therefore, the hardest government to overthrow. People in a republic understand the concepts of inalienable rights<sup>2</sup> and of limited government. A republic is a government with definite boundaries upon it to ensure that it remains a servant of the people and not their master. George Washington refused to be king, but he did become a president — a servant-leader. Thomas Jefferson exhorted his country to "bind down the government from mischief by the chains of the Constitution." So it was up to the people to keep it, just as Dr. Franklin warned.

### **Did We Keep It?**

Have the citizens heeded Dr. Franklin's words? Have they kept

<sup>2</sup> *Inalienable Rights*: that which may not be taken away, suspended, infringed, restricted, or violated — not ever, not at any time, not for any purpose whatsoever.

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the government in its designated place, limited to be the servant of the people rather than their master? Have we kept our representatives bound within their designed limitations? It appears not.

Over the course of several generations the people of the United States have transformed their government from a servant of the people to the nanny of the people. The people have become more and more dependent upon a stronger and stronger government. We have forgotten that a republic depends on a self-sufficient people who have moral character.

We have been taught to fear that life in this modern age has become too complex to manage without the help of a strong central government. This fear has opened the door to the same tyranny that the Founders hoped to close. Over many years we have casually relinquished to the government the role of taking care of us. We elect representatives who expanded the quiet revolution that changed the servant government into the provider government.

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Many of the Founders recognized that their plan was guided by divine providence.

*"There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations, ..."*

*- Patrick Henry (1775)*

**"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."**

**Thomas Jefferson,  
The Declaration of Independence (1776)**

The Founders were experiencing a movement of God and they were not ashamed to acknowledge it. Our Father established the Constitution in order that we could live at peace, work with our hands, and mind our own business. Anything that rises against the Constitution is lawless, and not from our Father.

The Creator intervened in the affairs of men to establish a place in the fullness of time for people to have the freedom to search for him so that they may find Him (Acts 17:26-27). But, just as there is a God who is involved in the affairs of men, there is an enemy who works to tear down what God builds up. This work is subtly hidden under the guise of progress. It will be deceptive. It will be revealed only to those who are willing to do the will of God.

Take note of this prophecy concerning the end of the age, which we are now approaching:

*“For the mystery of iniquity is already working, except that he who dominates now will dominate until he is taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked [one] be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of his mouth and remove with the clarity of his coming: [that wicked one], who shall come by the working of Satan with great power and signs and lying miracles, and with all deception of iniquity [working] in those that perish because they did not receive the charity of the truth, to be saved. Therefore, for this cause, God shall send the operation of error in them, that they should believe the lie; that they all might be condemned who did not believe the truth, but consented to the iniquity.”* - 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12

This illustrates the real struggle that is being fought at this time. Not a battle between nations, not a contest between political parties, but a battle between the forces of good and the forces of evil in the spiritual realm. Ideas are born in the minds of men that originate from this unseen realm – good or evil. Men will be divided according to which voice they are inclined to listen to.

The Founding Fathers listened to the voice that produced a nation

that would give men the freedom to seek for God. Since its inception, this free nation has been under attack from the forces of evil. The decline has taken place in the souls of men. Our character has been eroded. As a result, we have made our government the very tyrant it was established to guard us against. We look to the government to do what only our Creator can do.

The only reasonable purpose for freedom is that men would use it to grope for God. Nations throughout history have been raised up or torn down on the basis of their support for or hindrance to this atmosphere of freedom. This is the great power struggle of the age and its battle ground is the hearts and souls of men. ❧

**“I hold before you life and death. Choose life that you may live!”**

**The Creator of Heaven and Earth**

# The Hidden Purpose of America

There's a hidden purpose for America. It goes back to the days leading up to the American Revolution. A spiritual revolution was beginning. The story of that spiritual revolution is being rediscovered right now. That's because a stirring is going on right now—a rebirth of that revolution. It was waiting for the time we live in. It could have only begun here in America.

Life was cruel during the centuries of the “Dark Ages.” The power of the lords and the clergy over the peasants was crushing. The people were trapped in poverty by their leaders. They were stripped of any real power, influence, or chance to grow. Common people were denied the right to appear in court. They were not free to face their accusers whenever their ideas threatened the rulers. Freedom of religion was also denied for

many centuries. Some people had beliefs that differed from those of the Catholic or Protestant state churches. These people faced

hideous abuses. As Thomas Jefferson put it:

**“Millions of innocent men, women, and children since the introduction of Christianity have been burnt, tortured, fined, and imprisoned.”<sup>1</sup>**

For centuries before America was founded, such a movement could never arise. There was no place for people to unite together in a common cause. The abuses of tyrannical governments were fresh in the minds of American colonists. Time and again, England's kings dragged the nation into brutal, self-serving power struggles—wars and political projects that ordinary people never asked for and often actively despised. Dissenters were often imprisoned without trial.

<sup>1</sup> Thomas Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia*

Darkness was filling Europe and England by men who claimed to be serving God. Whose influence were these oppressive kings under? What was the church bringing? It wasn't from God. But he was not disinterested; he had a plan. He wanted to restore the life of the first-century church recorded in the book of Acts in the Bible.

### A Radical Life of Love

**According to Acts 2 and 4, the early church expressed a radical life of love and sharing.**

**Acts: 2:44 spoke of all believers "living together" and sharing "all things in common."**

Acts 4:32 showed that as a result of this sharing, there were "no poor among them." They had "one heart and one way."

But this life died as love left their midst and their light became darkness.<sup>2</sup> What supplanted them was the Catholic and later the Protestant churches. Love had been lost, as well as their sharing of all things in common. In the Church, there were the very rich and the very poor oppressed by the wealthy clergy and their wealthy patrons. This institution bore no resemblance to the

primitive church of the Apostles. But its existence was covered up because no one knew about it. Only the clergy could read the Latin and Greek of the Bible.

In the early 1600s, Bibles written in plain English were being circulated. However, if you were found to be possessing a Bible, you were in great danger. That danger came from the Church. In several periods of European history, it could be dangerous – sometimes life-threatening – to be found possessing a Bible. Historical accounts show legal persecution, imprisonment, confiscation, torture, and even execution. The clergy did not want the people to discover the account of how the church was in its inception. If they did, they would question the authenticity of the churches of their day. They might challenge the authority of its leadership.

The famous "Pilgrims" of Plymouth had done just that. They discovered the communal life of the first-century church. They too began to live communally. They began sharing all their possessions and working together.

They had seen that the corruption in the church was so great that they separated themselves. They rejected the authority of the Church of England. They knew the history of innocent bloodshed and corruption within that church. They cut all ties and referred to themselves as Separatists. They were only a few

<sup>2</sup> Matthew 6:23 and John 9:4-5

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hundred people. Still, they were a great threat to the Church and the king. The king had much control over the Church, and so they had to flee to America for their lives.



Sadly, the fire of those Plymouth Pilgrims didn't continue to burn. It was extinguished in the hearts of the generations that followed. But one of their spiritual leaders believed that one day that radical life of love would re-emerge. He spoke of their lives as "stepping stones" for a future movement. And indeed they would be. Their lives and struggles would be honored. You see, there was a divine plan in the heart of God that was waiting for a future time...

### The Hidden Purpose

The purpose of the Creator is to carve a kingdom out of the world. His plan is to restore that radical life of love and unity. He chose America as that place. The Founding Fathers were his servants. They were used to create a secure environment in which the restored Church could

exist and thrive. God's people could live quiet, peaceful lives without interference from the state.

To restore that first life of love, a people would have to live in a country where they would be unmolested for their beliefs. Those who would "grope for God" would be able to find him there. They would have to be free to follow the truth wherever it led them. For us, that meant restoring the

life as it was in the beginning. The same seed should produce the same fruit. The same gospel should produce the same life. That life would need the protection of countries like America. They would need to live in nations with a constitution that limits the government's power. They would need countries that honor the free exercise of religion.

This brings us to the hidden purpose of the American Constitution. Acts 17:26-28 says that the Creator appointed "times and boundaries" of nations. He did this so that men could "grope for God and perhaps even find him." Nations have physical boundaries. Within them, they also have limits or boundaries on their authority. The First Amendment of the Constitution makes it clear.

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It says that government may not prohibit the “free exercise” of religion. That means you are free to live in obedience to the clear commands in the Bible.

How did the Founding Fathers arrive at such a document? How would they protect and enable the free exercise of religion against the “established” churches? What kind of insight did they have as to what the real issue was? To understand this, let’s return to the days of the Pilgrims. Others had objected to the authority held by the king and Church. However, they wished to have that power for themselves. This is seen in the Puritans.

### The Puritans

The Puritans were another group that fled persecution. They left England a decade after the Pilgrim Separatists. These reformers wanted to “purify” the Church of England. They established a colony centered in what later became Boston. The irony about these later settlers was that they too wished to practice their religion freely, but they would persecute anyone in their colony who wanted freedom for themselves. Anyone who dissented from the worship

practices of those Puritans was punished. The same oppression they fled from in Europe, they brought to the shores of America.

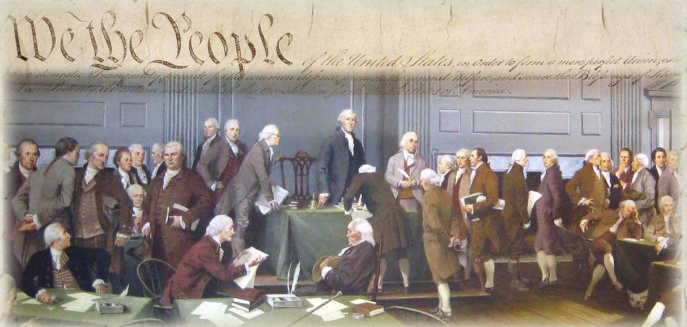
They were responsible for the famous Salem Witch Trials. There’s also a history of Quakers and other dissenters being persecuted by the Puritans. Like any society, they had civil laws. But they also wanted control over the moral and religious customs.

Clearly, not all who wanted freedom wanted freedom for all.

### The Constitution

A century later, when the dust of revolution had finally settled, America’s Founding Fathers assembled in Philadelphia. They were gathered there to consider how this new nation would be formed. Fresh in their minds were the abuses of recent history right there on their own shores. The rights of men had to be honored and protected. This required the power of the state to be limited by a constitution.

The government could not be influenced by the Church. Nor could



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it prohibit the free expression of religion. There had to be a total separation of Church and State. If a true movement of God were to re-emerge, it would need this protection. That protection would guard against encroaching government and oppressive religions. If any church had the power to influence the State, they would use it to punish dissenters.

For the first time in Western history, a place was made for a movement of God to be reborn. At this very time, the gospel is being restored. It is the same gospel spoken by Yahshua<sup>3</sup> and his apostles 2000 years ago — the Gospel of the Kingdom. That gospel calls one to freedom from the oppression of self-concern, and total devotion to God's ultimate purpose in establishing this country: so that his kingdom could come on Earth as it is in Heaven.

Most people know about Yahshua's ultimate example of self-denying love. He loved us all even unto death. His death opened the way to the Tree of Life. He paid a high cost, and his gospel requires a high cost. He said that whoever wishes to come after him must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow him.<sup>4</sup> He required his disciples to give up all their earthly possessions, putting their absolute trust in him.<sup>5</sup> He commissioned them to make

other disciples, calling them to do the same.<sup>6</sup>

Those disciples saw him as a "Pearl of Great Price," worth giving up everything to gain.<sup>7</sup> Many people over the centuries have fallen in love with this man, Yahshua, but such truth-seekers haven't had a place to obey his words.

These are the times of the end. A people has been gathered together to restore that primitive pattern of Acts 2 and 4. They live together in communities, a foretaste of the kingdom to come. There are no rich and poor, for all who believe are sharing all things in common once again. They are living to fulfill the words of Yahshua. He said that his followers would be known by their love for one another.<sup>8</sup>

Our movement began several decades ago in America. It has spread to many countries around the world — twelve tribes united to bring about his cause — an age of peace.

The God of Heaven waited until he found a people willing to pay the high cost of love. He has found a few, and there are many more with that same heart. They must be gathered together into one flock with one shepherd.<sup>9</sup>

If you can hear that revolutionary call, come and join us! 🌟

<sup>3</sup> **Yahshua** is the original Hebrew name for the Jesus of the Scriptures. See *Yahshua the Healer* on page 29

<sup>4</sup> Mark 8:34

<sup>5</sup> Luke 14:33

<sup>6</sup> Matthew 28:18-20

<sup>7</sup> Matthew 13:45-46

<sup>8</sup> John 13:35

<sup>9</sup> John 10:16

# In God We Trust

There is a better society on earth today. They are a small and powerless people, and for them, “In God We Trust” is not just a motto. It is a way of life. They are a people whose desire is to truly be one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all. Such a people could rightly be called, “God’s people.” They are his *holy nation* among the nations, beyond the borders of natural Israel.<sup>1</sup> They are not identified with any existing state or power, except to honor the duly-appointed authority and just laws of the land they reside in.

Long ago, the God of Heaven sacrificed his own Son — Yahshua, the Messiah,<sup>2</sup> to see this nation formed. Yahshua gained their freedom from the slavery of sin by shedding his own blood for their forgiveness — reconciling them to his Father. Yahshua declared their independence from the tyranny of death and selfish existence when he willingly died on the cross. He carried the guilt of their sins into death and experienced the full wrath of God which their sins deserved. Through him an entire people has received a new government in their hearts — God’s Holy Spirit. The laws needed for life are being written there, deep inside them.

<sup>1</sup> *Your eyes shall see, And you shall say, ‘The LORD is magnified beyond the border of Israel.’ (Malachi 1:5)*

<sup>2</sup> **Yahshua** is the original given Hebrew name of the Jesus of the Scriptures.

This society desires peace and good will for all men. This kingdom was prophesied in the Book of Daniel.<sup>3</sup> It will one day fill the Earth, and will never pass away. Such a people appreciate the high and pure truths expressed in the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence. However, these are only a shadow of a better constitution — the New Covenant recorded in the Bible.

**Imagine a people who  
live by the highest  
law in the universe  
— the perfect law of  
God, the law of love.**

The Bible calls them a kingdom of priests. This perfect law is not written on paper, but in the heart and on the mind. It is an absolute standard of justice that governs the moral, social, and spiritual life of each individual. It is the constitution of the people of God, his holy nation.

Within its protection of peace, its people have the power to live by that inward law written upon their hearts. If this holy nation lives by its constitution, then this people will always be a light and guide to

<sup>3</sup> See the article: *The Unshakeable Kingdom* page 24

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every nation on Earth. This people will always understand the essence of authority. Thus they will be able to discern the spirit of every law written by man.

In the same manner, the United States has a written Constitution. This Constitution was intended to be an absolute standard of justice by which all its citizens would be measured. It was intended to bind (prevent) the government from doing mischief.<sup>4</sup> So the United States must also obey its Constitution and thereby follow the light and example of the New Covenant community.

**If the lawyers, judges,  
prosecutors, and people  
of each state do not  
uphold and live by  
their Constitution,  
then the moral,  
social, and spiritual  
fabric of this country  
will be destroyed.**

The Constitution ensures various liberties and establishes the groundwork for a people to deal with tyranny, but only if the people uphold it.

<sup>4</sup> *mischief*: Harm; hurt; injury; damage; evil, whether intended or not. *Intentional injury*: harm or damage done by design.

Now, 200 years after the Constitutional Convention, injustice, infringement, and the blatant disregard of individual rights is commonplace. The moral fabric of this country is collapsing. Why? We have failed to live by our Constitution. It is the people of this country who must desire to govern and be governed by the original intention of the law. They must do this with all their heart. Otherwise, no amount of healing ointments in the form of patriotic movements will bring about restoration.

The United States Constitution was not made defective by those who conceived it or ratified it. A constitution is made defective by those who are unwilling or unable to live by it. If it is not in your heart to keep a good conscience, then certainly it won't be important to you that your neighbor is free to do so – especially if it involves some discomfort or suffering for you. And, what if he is a member of a minority or on the fringes of society? Is the Constitution in your heart enough to defend his rights?

Do you not know from the lessons of history, that what a government can do to hated minorities, it will eventually do to silent majorities? Being in the majority will give you no protection, after all.

Government's power to reach into the lives of its citizens tends to only grow. It does not diminish.

## The Hope of the World

The God who gave the promise of the New Covenant is gathering a nation for himself, so that he will have a people who live by his wonderful commands. They love his laws and live by them as their "Constitution" with all their hearts. This life is the true light of the world. These people must be given the right to exist, and the respect of all governments of free societies. They must, for their life and example is this world's only hope. They will call each nation, state, city, and town to live by its own Constitution. If each civil government will be true to its Constitution, then they will allow this restoration of God's holy nation to come about.

Somehow, the framers of the United States Constitution saw that such men of conscience, who are determined to obey their Creator, are supremely trustworthy. They saw that governments could not assume the role of defining the values of all the citizens. They understood that to do so would make it impossible for genuine men of conscience to exist. Trying to determine what others should believe always leads to persecution, even bloodshed.<sup>5</sup> Tyrannical governments have always crushed men of conscience who

<sup>5</sup> That's why Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island, called his most important book *The Bloody Tenent of Persecution for Cause of Conscience*. It's why he devoted his life to breaking the unholy bonds between church and state... bonds which hopelessly corrupt both church and state.

would not bend under the weight of oppression. So the framers of the Constitution wanted to give such men and communities the right to exist and the dignity they deserve.

If governments becomes threatened by such men or such groups, they will ignore the precious and binding truths of their own Constitution. They will became party to the greatest injustice: to treat their own constitution as mere empty words. May it be that in the future such governments will look to the light and not try to snuff it out.

The law of God is an absolute standard. It does not change. It is perfect and will go on forever.<sup>6</sup> The law of God written upon the heart of man is the constitution of the New Covenant. This is what all men of conscience everywhere have always longed to possess. The ultimate and highest expression of God's government is man ruling by the inward law of God written in his heart. In the age to come, this is the government that will fill the Earth.

But in this age, it is the government that has the authority and the quality of life within itself to be a light to convict and to lead all the nations of the earth. The life expressed by this new nation of priests is the absolute hope of all the nations. 🕊️

<sup>6</sup> Psalm 19

# The Unshakable Kingdom

*This mystery has not been revealed to me for any wisdom residing in me more than in any other living man, but for the purpose of making the interpretation known to the king, and that you may understand the thoughts of your mind. (Daniel 2:30)*

Some people scoff at the intense interest given to end-time prophecies. When the year 2000 rolled around, many people were on edge. And maybe they had a point. The times we live in could make a person fearful. Think about the social, moral, and economic problems that face people today.

Today in the United States, 20% of adults take a psychiatric drug daily, mostly antidepressants. The number of adults on government disability due to psychiatric disorders has more than *tripled* in the past 30 years, and the number of children disabled by psychiatric disorders has increased *30-fold* during this period. The same pattern appears in the rest of the developing world.

The reality is, there never has been a time like this. Even when a nation or empire was in decline, or verging on moral collapse, there has always been another society standing by, ready to take over when it fell. This is the only time in history that a global civilization and

a global culture have been within man's reach. Within a generation, the whole earth could very likely be united in a federation of governments, much like the European Union is today. And many people fear that when this coming civilization falls, it's going to take everything down with it.

So there are good reasons why men are looking to Bible prophecies for direction. People want to have something secure and unchanging to put their confidence in. The world is mutating much too fast for them to keep up, and they have no assurance that most of the changes are for the better. They want to know how it's all going to turn out, and they've heard that the prophets in the Bible have been right. Haven't many of their predictions already come true?

## The Fall of the Statue

The prophet Daniel is a good example of a man whose words are trustworthy. 2,600 years ago, he interpreted a dream for a Babylonian king. The focus of the dream was a huge statue with a head of gold, chest and arms of silver, bronze of belly, legs of iron, and feet and toes of iron mixed with clay. From this dream he predicted a succession of empires which would dominate the earth. And history has proven him right. The Babylonian, Persian, Greek, and Roman Empires fol-

lowed one another, corresponding exactly to the statue, strikingly in the legs of iron, which depicted the split of the Roman Empire.<sup>1</sup>

As for the feet and toes of iron mixed with clay, many scholars have imagined that this would be a revival of the Roman Empire in a modern form. Their speculations carry weight, since Roman law and culture under-gird all of Western civilization. The renaissance of "Rome" is like a seed waiting to sprout. The West is obsessed with a united world, recalling the peace and prosperity that the Roman Empire enjoyed in its heyday, but forgetting the seeds of decay that caused it to fall.

It is easy to see how the current movement toward world unity will bring about the feet of iron mixed with clay, ending with ten iron-and-clay toes.<sup>2</sup> Even now, forces are at work to unify all the organized religions for the purpose of making them a dominant political force in the world. When the Ecumenical Movement succeeds, the governments of all nations will see a need to incorporate the influence of religion as a stabilizing force in so-

ciety. This mixture of the iron of government and the clay of religion will culminate in a federation of ten world leaders. Many people, even within Christianity, see this much about Daniel's predictions. What they do not understand, however, is the end of this vision.

### The Mystery of the Stone

In the dream, a stone was mysteriously hewn out of a huge mountain. Without human hands it was chipped away, little by little, until it broke free and plummeted toward the statue, striking it on the feet. The iron and clay mixture shattered, and the entire statue fell and disintegrated. Then a mighty wind blew away the dust until no trace



<sup>1</sup> Daniel 2:36-44

<sup>2</sup> Daniel 2:41-43

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was left of the once-mighty statue. Only the Stone remained, and its essence filled the entire earth.

The fifth-century theologian Augustine claimed that this stone was the Roman Catholic Church, and that it had already become the mountain that filled the whole earth.<sup>3</sup> What Augustine failed to consider, however, was that the Catholic Church did not remove every trace of the Roman Empire, but instead transformed it into the Holy Roman Empire — a foretaste of the clay mixing with the iron in the last days of this age.

Daniel made it clear that the stone is not merely a religion, but a *kingdom*.<sup>4</sup> And it is not just any kingdom, but the kingdom which the God of heaven will set up in “the days of those kings” — the ten kings of the world federation represented by the toes of the statue. This can only happen in the last days of this age — obviously so, since when that stone falls on the toes, it brings this age to an end.

The relentless progress toward religious and political unity that is now driving the Western world shows that we are clearly in the beginning stages of that federation of kings. Once again, Daniel’s interpretation of the dream is proving trustworthy. So we must also be living at the time when God is beginning to cut that

stone out of the mountain of the world.

### Not Subversive

Daniel said that the Stone Kingdom would not be left for another people. It will endure forever because it is completely separate from the society of the end times.

**This is the meaning  
of the stone being cut  
out of the mountain.**

**Those who make  
up this kingdom are  
hewn out of the world,  
not by human effort,  
but by a divine act.**

Many groups are forming in these days, taking their cues from such prophecies as Daniel and the book of Revelation. They are taking steps to isolate themselves from the corruption they see in society, and even to arm themselves for a conflict with the emerging one-world order. The FBI estimates that there are hundreds of such private armies in the United States alone. These survivalist groups think that by stockpiling weapons and supplies, they can make it through the collapse of the present society and take over. But what they do NOT see is that, contrary to prophecy, they are trying to cut themselves out of the mountain with human hands.

<sup>3</sup> Augustine, *In Answer to the Letters of Petilian*, Book 2, Chapter 38, paragraph 90

<sup>4</sup> Daniel 2:44-45

Such alternative societies are based on reactions to the current culture, hatred of other races or religions, and even insane plans to force a confrontation with the “antichrist government.” But their efforts will prove futile. Those who are subversive will be surrounded and disarmed, or perhaps even destroyed, and others will be assimilated back into society. A movement based on mere reactions to moral decline will not stand. Subversive or reactionary groups cannot overthrow the current order because they are still connected to its source. They are still controlled by the same dark spirits that control the society to which they are reacting. The whole world lies under the sway of the Evil One.<sup>5</sup> The only society that will be able to endure is one that comes out from under the control of the evil spiritual forces that work in the unseen realm.

This is how the Stone Kingdom will bring an end to the kingdoms of this world — not through subversive activity against those kingdoms, but through overcoming the evil spiritual forces that control them. Those in the Stone Kingdom will have power over the unclean spirits that stir up fear, hatred, greed, pride, selfish desire, and even self-centered thoughts.

### The Radical Solution to Sin

The Stone Kingdom does something truly radical. It lays the axe

to the root that has caused the downfall of every civilization since the beginning. That root is *self-life*. Self-life is the true meaning of the often-misunderstood word *sin*. Those who choose to follow the king of this kingdom choose to put self-life to death. This is called *repenting*. When they repent, their king lavishes on them a costly gift called *forgiveness*. Forgiveness causes something supernatural to spring up in their souls — *love*. This love is not just a good feeling, it is a good *spirit* with a good *motive*. This supernatural love causes them to do good things — *kind* things — that shine brightly to those around them. And those who see what they are doing start to appreciate the One who saved them. They start to believe that the Creator is good and kind, and wants to help them out of the predicament they are in.

The prophet Isaiah predicted that this kingdom would take the form of the restored tribes of Jacob. He said it would be a light to the nations, and would carry God’s salvation to the ends of the earth.<sup>6</sup> This is what Messiah was referring to when he predicted that the good news of the kingdom would be proclaimed so as to set the *evidence* of its validity before all the nations, and then the end would be able to come.<sup>7</sup> He also said that when this nation produced the fruit of the coming

<sup>5</sup> Isaiah 49:6

<sup>7</sup> Matthew 24:14

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age, then the government of that age would be turned over to them. Then he added, "...on whomever this stone falls it will scatter him like dust."<sup>8</sup> This was a clear reference to the Stone Kingdom in Daniel's prophecy.

These "tribes of Jacob" will be standing on an unshakable foundation. The God of heaven will give them a way of life that does not pass away, a way of life that is passed on from generation to generation. That is what eternal life is — not just a religious belief about going to heaven when you die, but the abundant life that will fill the earth like a mountain in the next age. But it will be raised up in *this* age like a stone cut out of the world.

**As the restored tribes of Jacob live in obedience to the commands of the Messiah, they will demonstrate the life that Israel was always meant to live.**

They will exhibit a culture that does not come from the world around them, and is not merely a reaction to it. Their way of doing business, their art and music, and the festivals that celebrate their

<sup>8</sup> Matthew 21:43-44

dependence on their Creator will be given to them from above, and will have a quality that is radically different from the culture that surrounds them.<sup>9</sup> Every part of their life will be focused toward the goal of being worthy to be that Stone Kingdom.

Even their obedience to the divine command that Israel should let their land rest one year out of every seven<sup>10</sup> — the sabbatical years that Israel of old never fully observed<sup>11</sup> — will prepare them to live a life that does not depend on buying, selling, planting, or harvesting.<sup>12</sup> Thus, they will be able to endure in the wilderness for the 1260 days<sup>13</sup> until the Jubilee, when Messiah returns and the whole earth is delivered back to its rightful Owner.<sup>14</sup>

This is the message of the prophets for the end times. Daniel, Isaiah, and our Master Yahshua all point to the one life, the one culture, the one kingdom that will endure. Only those whose life is based on self-sacrificing love, as a foretaste of the coming age, will endure. Whoever is truly looking to the prophets for a way out of the destruction and corruption of today will find it in this unshakable kingdom.<sup>15</sup> ✠

<sup>9</sup> Colossians 2:16-17

<sup>10</sup> Leviticus 25:1-10

<sup>11</sup> 2 Chronicles 36:21

<sup>12</sup> Revelation 13:17

<sup>13</sup> Revelation 12:6,14

<sup>14</sup> Revelation 11:15; Isaiah 61:2; Luke 4:19

<sup>15</sup> Hebrews 12:28-29

# Yahshua, the Healer

Who is Yahshua, and why would we want to be his disciples? Well, He's the most loving person to ever walk the earth, the greatest friend that ever lived. He taught, lived, and dreamed about the truest love. The little children in his day instinctively knew that he was the kindest, and the best. Most people today call him *Jesus*, but we know him by his Hebrew name, *Yahshua*, which means "Yahweh's Salvation." That name has such deep meaning to those of us who know we need such true healing. We are those who need help and guidance to get over the things that always stood in the way of having true friends. We are the ones who knew that there had to be more to this life than anything the world had to offer, a people who longed for a second chance to start all over, to have a fresh new start, a new beginning, like a new breath of life, and the power to love. We are the ones he came for.

We heard about this Yahshua, and how he loved us, from a people who were actually living together and loving one another. They were living the life others can only dream of. That really affected us. We fell in

love with what was in Yahshua's heart through the real love and kindness that was shown to us. Some of us gave up everything we had and moved right in; for others it took years to get up the courage.

But one thing we all had in common, whether we knew what to call it or not, we were longing for forgiveness. We wanted peace with God, whoever that was. We wanted to know why we were created. We were actually starving for authority in our lives, and to know what the author of our lives had in mind for us.

These things all seem so clear to us now, but at that time, we had no idea what was wrong with us. And really, neither did anyone else.

We have no idea who will get these papers when we hand them out, but we always pray that they will get into the hands of those who have the same heart as ours. We are a very faulty people, but we strive to be loyal to the one who gave up his very life because he saw our need. Our need was love, and if one word could explain what Yahshua is all about, it would be just that: Love. He's the one we have come to know. ✨

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"LOVE ONE ANOTHER"  
John 13:34**



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