

Part One

Background & Documents

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Three types of Law

- Divine right
- Democracy
- Socialism
- All three in one form or another in practice today

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Divine Right

- A monarch who rules with absolute and unquestioned authority
 - One chosen by God
 - Usually part of a hereditary selection

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Democracy

- From ancient times a majority rule government
 - Has a citizenry
 - A pure majority democracy is a popular majority vote
 - A republic is an elected representative vote

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Socialism

- A government which seek to have all of its citizens on equal benefit
 - This government is often is repressive in the way it forces itself on its citizens
 - Has a high bureaucracy to control and regulate its citizens
 - Loss of freedom, high control, known to purge dissidence (Millions Killed).

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Foundations

Law

- A system of rules accepted by a society to keep order in that society and preserve the future of that society.
 - Laws vary from society to society.
 - Laws are made in different areas of society. I.e. criminal, corporate
 - Laws are generally made by some part of the governing body of the nation.

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Foundations

Worldview

- The way one looks at the world.
 - Will influence belief
 - Will influence behavior
 - Will become a foundation of one's religion

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Foundations

Views of history

- The view of the Socialist is similar to the secular view.
 - Here, man's beginning is unknown.
 - History will culminate with the classes being united as one.
 - As we have seen the crumbling of the socialist ideals in the world today, we have seen the fallacy of this view.

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Foundations

Views of history

- **Secular** is a recording view of the events that have taken place during a specified period of time.
- History is not viewed as unfolding.
- This view of history often begins with the evolution of man.
- It has no destiny, or if it does, it is in the context of the continuing evolution of man.

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Foundations

Views of history

- **Bible & History**
- The Bible is the Word of God.
- It is the account of God and Man in space, time and history.
- It covers the period of time from creation on to the literal establishment of the kingdom of God on the earth.
- History then is the unfolding drama of God and man.
- It is a story that is not fiction but has time dates and places in the creation.
- Such history has purpose and closure in the establishment of the kingdom of God.

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Overview

- Background
 - Natural Law
 - The Declaration of Independence
 - The Constitution
 - The Bill of Rights
 - Not a Democracy, but a Republic

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Foundations

Natural Law

- Law derived from the concept of laws of nature
 - This law is built on the following concepts
 - A divine creator
 - A created order
 - Absolute rights and wrongs
 - A fallen (sinful) mankind

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Foundations

Natural Law

- Natural rights of man
 - Natural Law is the foundation of western law
 - Has roots in the Jewish – Christian scriptures
 - Supersedes the laws of men
 - Has natural order

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The Early American Church

- It was not uncommon to have "election sermons" before and after an election
 - Many of the militia were congregations led by a pastor or other leaders in the church. There was no standing army to protect a local city
 - The Bible was preached in expository fashion and sermons were often read to the congregation
 - A Biblical worldview was the foundation of all of the preaching and teaching in the church
 - It was common for the minister to wear a black robe when preaching

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Ten Commandments

- Moses, the Law Giver
 - Conditions for the covenant
 - Four in relationship with God
 - Six in relationship with others

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Natural Law

Cicero 106-43 BC

- "right conduct" with the laws of the Supreme Creator of the universe.
 - Laws Eternal and Universal.
 - Man given the gift of reason.
 - Man can be taught God's Law or virtue.

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Natural Law

Paul in the book of Romans

- 1:16 – 2:11
 - God has shown himself to man.
 - No excuse
 - Man chose creation over God
 - All will come to judgment

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Natural Law

Others

- Augustine of Hippo 354-430
 - The City of God
 - The Confessions
 - Thomas Aquinas 1225-1274
 - The Summa

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Origins of American government

British backgrounds

- The Magna Carta 1215
 - First "bill of rights"
 - Applied to nobles and clergy
 - Petition of right 1628
 - King could not force anyone to lend him money
 - King could not put anyone in prison without just cause
 - No soldier could be housed in a private home without the consent of the owner
 - In time of peace the laws of the army could not be forced on the public

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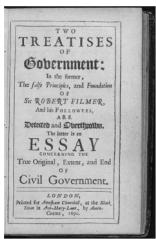
Origins of American government

British backgrounds

- Habeas Corpus 1679
 - The right to be charged and a speedy trial
- The bill of rights 1689
 - Freedom of speech for Parliament during sessions
 - Right of the people petition the King

Origins of American government

British backgrounds



- John Lock
- Two Treatises of Government
 - Letter concerning toleration

Blackstone



Four volume Commentaries were the backbone of law interpretation till the late 1800's

Basic Principles Natural-Law Thought

1. Natural law is an eternal moral law revealed to all people through human nature.
 2. Natural law influences (but can not save) even fallen and sinful humanity
 3. Natural law is the proper basis of political authority.

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Basic Principles Natural-Law Thought

4. Natural law authorizes society to establish a government.
 5. Governments are themselves subject to the natural law.
 6. Each society's laws should apply the natural law to that society's particular circumstances.

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John Quincy Adams

"The Revolution was effected before the War commenced. The Revolution was in the minds and hearts of the people; a change in their religious sentiments of their duties and obligations. This radical change in the principles, opinions, sentiments, and affections of the people, was the real American Revolution."

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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.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, —That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly, all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed.

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The Declaration "self evident truths"

1. That all men are created equal.
 2. That the Creator has given to all certain inalienable rights.
 3. That among these rights are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness
 4. That governments are instituted or ordained among men to preserve these rights.
 5. That government gets its just powers from the consent of the governed.

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Foundation Of Inalienable Rights

- Life – Genesis 2:7
 - Liberty – Genesis 2:16-17
 - Property – Genesis 2:15

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But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.—Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

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The Grievances

1. He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.
2. He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.
3. He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

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The Grievances

4. He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.
5. He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

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The Grievances

6. He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.
7. He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

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The Grievances

8. He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.
9. He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.
10. He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people, and eat out their substance.

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The Grievances

11. He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.
12. He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.
13. He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

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The Grievances

14. For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:
15. For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:
16. For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:
17. For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:
18. For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:

The Grievances

19. For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences,
20. For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:
21. For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:
22. For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

The Grievances

23. He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.
24. He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.
25. He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

The Grievances

26. He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.
27. He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

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The Declaration

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

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The Declaration

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our Brittish brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

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The Declaration

We, therefore, the Representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. 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.

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws
2. Executive branch – the enforcement of laws
3. Judicial branch – the interpretation of laws
4. Relationship to the States
5. Methods of amending the Constitution
6. General provisions – national debts, supremacy of the Constitution

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws
 - Only Congress shall make the laws for US
 - The Congress shall be comprised of two branches
 - The House of representatives – by population
 - The senate – by State

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws

- The House of representatives
 - Two year term
 - Must be at least twenty-five years of age
 - Must be a citizen at least seven years
 - Must be a resident of the State that elected him
 - The House of representatives shall choose their Speaker and other Officers; and have the sole power of Impeachment.

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1. Legislative branch – the making of laws

- The Senate
 - Two members for each state
 - Vice-President is the President of the Senate and has no vote but is the tie breaker
 - Must be thirty years of age and a citizen for nine years
 - Must be a resident in the state he represents

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1. Legislative branch – the making of laws

- The Senate
 - Chooses their officers and President when the Vice-President is absent
 - 2/3 vote needed to impeach President
 - Elected to a six year term

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws
 - Each house will keep a record of the proceedings
 - Committees study a bill before it is voted on
 - Committees may kill a bill before it reaches the floor
 - Both houses are paid by the treasury

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Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws
 - A bill must pass both the House and the Senate before being sent to the President for his signature to make it law
 - A bill may go to a conference committee to iron out differences and report back to their houses for final passage. If both houses approve the final bill, it is sent to the President.

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws
 - Congress shall have the power to:
 - Collect Taxes
 - Regulate Commerce
 - Establish a Uniform Rule of Naturalization
 - Coin money – punish counterfeiting
 - Establish Post Office

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws

- Congress shall have the power to:
 - Patten office
 - Protect US ships
 - Declare war
 - Arm forces
 - Make laws

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

1. Legislative branch – the making of laws

- Congress shall have the power to:
 - No suspension of Habeas Corpus
 - No ex post facto law
 - No title of nobility given
 - No state given powers to make treaties

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2. Executive branch – the enforcement of laws

- May be elected up to two, four year terms
 - Must be a natural born citizen of the United States, no younger than 35 and lived in the country for fourteen years

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- The Vice-President has the same requirements for office as the President
 - Salaries set at time of office
 - Power of appointments to President

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2. Executive branch – the enforcement of laws
 - The President is the Commander and Chief of the armed forces
 - Has the power to call special sessions of Congress
 - He shall receive Ambassadors and other public Ministers

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

2. Executive branch – the enforcement of laws

 - The President shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed
 - Both a President and a Vice-President maybe impeached for, and conviction of, treason, bribery, or other high crimes and misdemeanors

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Articles

2. Executive branch – the enforcement of laws

 - The President shall have ten days to sign or veto a bill
 - If he does not sign in the ten day period and Congress is in session the bill become law. If Congress is not in session the bill is dead
 - If he vetoes the bill the Congress may over ride the veto with a 2/3 majority in both houses

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

3. Judicial branch – the interpretation of laws
 - Judicial power in one Supreme Court and all lower courts
 - The lower Courts established by congress are the District Courts and the Courts of Appeals
 - All cases must go through the lower courts before the supreme Court considers to hear the case

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Our Constitution at a glance

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3. Judicial branch – the interpretation of laws

 - Criminal cases will be by a trial by jury in the state the crime took place
 - Cases of Treason involve levying war, giving aid or comfort to the enemies, and least two witnesses
 - Cases of Treason shall not extend to ones children

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Our Constitution at a glance

Articles

4. Relationship to the States

- The results of court cases in one state will be recognized by others without retrying the case
 - Citizen rights will be consistent among states
 - A person charged with a crime who flees to another state may be returned to face trial

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Our Constitution at a glance

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4. Relationship to the States

- New states may be admitted to the union, but no state can be formed within a state
 - Congress will make laws and rules for territories
 - Congress will guarantee a Republican form of government and protection

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5. Methods of amending the Constitution

- The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose Amendments to this Constitution, or, on the Application of the Legislatures of two thirds of the several States, shall call a Convention for proposing Amendments, which, in either Case, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes, as part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the several States, or by Conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed by the Congress

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6. General provisions – national debts, supremacy of the Constitution
- All debts before this Constitution shall be paid
 - This Constitution shall be the law of the land
 - All officers shall be bound by an oath to support this Constitution
 - No religious test shall be required to any office or public trust under The united states.

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The Bill Of Rights

Amendment 1

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.

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The Bill Of Rights

Amendment 3

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 bylaw.

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The Bill Of Rights

Amendment 4

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.

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Amendment 5

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 a rising 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 offense 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.

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Amendment 6

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 defense.

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Amendment 7

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.

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Amendment 8

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

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Amendment 9

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

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The Bill Of Rights

Amendment 10

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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A Republic or A Democracy?

- Greek in its origin
 - City State rule
 - A directory of the citizens
 - A direct vote of the people
 - Majority rule

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A Republic or A Democracy?

- Not a Democracy
 - A rule of the people through a Representative Legislature
 - The voting system is for the people to decide who is going represent them
 - Your vote counts

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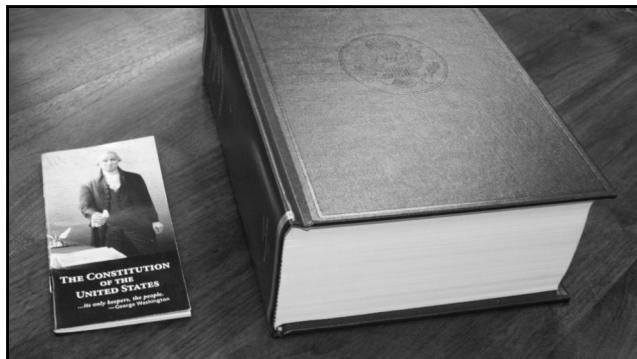
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The Radicals

- A movement away from the Constitution.
- Lincoln foresaw a movement away from the Fathers
- Progressives saw the Constitution as a road block to their concept of progress.

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Natural Law	Progressive
Used by the Founders	Used by Wilson
Law of Nature and Nature's God	Evolving to constant environment change
Sinfulness of man	Goodness of man
Based on Judeo-Christian values	Based on history and social science
Unchanging	Always changing
Newton	Darwin
Free exchange	Propaganda
Unlimited choice	Programed choice
Laws based on good government	Laws based on control
Constitution	Second Bill Of Rights
Vision based on Founders	Vision based on Leaders
Conserving	Always moving toward a better place
Judeo-Christian	Atheism, Secularism, & Communism
Pro-life	Eugenics

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The Radicals

Four Waves of radicals

- Theodore Roosevelt
 - Woodrow Wilson
 - FDR
 - Saul Alinsky
 - Obama / Cass R. Sunstein

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The Radicals

Theodore Roosevelt

- Was placed as Vice President to insure he could not enact bills to restrict monopolies. Became President when President McKinley was assassinated
 - Did what he could to stretch the Constitutional boundaries
 - Used government control to regulate industry, and social inequality.
 - Looked at as a reformer

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The Radicals

Woodrow Wilson

- Wanted to change the form of US government having Congress to be in a management role
 - 17th amendment
 - Created the Income Tax
 - Use of propaganda to change public opinion - Committee on Public Information

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The Four Freedoms



In the future days which we seek to make secure, we look forward to a world founded upon four essential human freedoms. The first is freedom of speech and expression -- everywhere in the world. The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way -- everywhere in the world. The third is freedom from want, which, translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants -- everywhere in the world. The fourth is freedom from fear, which, translated into world terms, means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor -- anywhere in the world. That is no vision of a distant millennium. It is a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation. That kind of world is the very antithesis of the so-called "new order" of tyranny which the dictators seek to create with the crash of a bomb.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt excerpted from
The Annual Message to the Congress, January 6, 1941



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The Radicals

FDR

- Tried to spend his way out of depression
- Mega social programs – Social security
- Wanted to pack The Supreme Court
- Use of propaganda to change public opinion
- The second bill of rights

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The Radicals

Second Bill of Rights FDR 1944

- Have been a central part of the progressive agenda.
- Pushed little by little
- Use of propaganda to change public opinion -
- Every American is entitled to:

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Second Bill of Rights FDR 1944

- The right of every farmer to raise and sell his products at a return which will give him and his family a decent living;
- The right of every businessman, large and small, to trade in an atmosphere of freedom from unfair competition and domination by monopolies at home and abroad;

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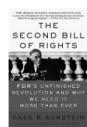
Second Bill of Rights FDR 1944

- The right of every family to a decent home;
- The right to adequate medical care and the opportunity to achieve and enjoy good health;
- The right to adequate protection from the economic fears of old age, sickness, accident, and unemployment;
- The right to a good education.

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Obama / Biden

- Cass Sunstein
 - The Second Bill Of Rights
 - Nudge
 - Use of propaganda to change public opinion.
 - Different type of propaganda, used depending on circumstances.
 - Limits of free choice to a desired end



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The Radicals

Saul Alinsky

- Author of Rules for Radicals 1971
 - Organize
 - Constant crisis
 - Ends justify the means
 - Hold your opponent to his standards and use it against him
 - Discredit and demean your opponent

The image shows the front cover of the book 'Rules for Radicals' by Saul B. Alinsky. The title is at the top in large, bold, serif capital letters. Below it is a subtitle: 'A Practical Guide for Activists'. The author's name, 'Saul B. Alinsky', is at the bottom. The background of the cover is a dark, textured blue.



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Technology

- We have become dependent upon Technology
 - Gives the illusion of changing the design of the universe
 - Man is master of his creation
 - Follow the "Science" the new religion
 - Creates altered forms of life altering Technology
 - Brings about new problems never before encountered

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Redefinition Of Sex

- The Arts used as change agents
 - Redefinition of sexual ethics
 - Redefinition of marriage and the marital covenant
 - The decimation of masculinity
 - Redefined femininity
 - Redefined gender – My choice
 - Sex for recreation
 - Sex as dating commitmentA black and white photograph of the cast of the TV show Friends. From left to right, the characters are Monica Geller (Courteney Cox), Chandler Bing (Matthew Perry), Rachel Green (Jennifer Aniston), Joey Tribbiani (Matt LeBlanc), and Chandler's wife, Emily (Lori Loughlin). Chandler is in the center, with Monica and Rachel on his left and Joey and Emily on his right. The word 'FRIENDS' is written in large, block letters across the bottom of the image.



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The Brainwashing Of A Generation



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This is a Banana.



If you see an Apple, you're
a Right Wing Extremist.

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Pete Buttigieg (left) with his husband Chasten
Photo: Pete Buttigieg for Mayor website

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China

- Past history China revolution
 - No respect for Human Life
 - State control of everything
 - Wanting to be the world power
 - Track all movement of their people
 - Eliminate opposition by disappearing people
 - Forced labor
 - Human medical doners
 - State control of churches

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World Economic Form

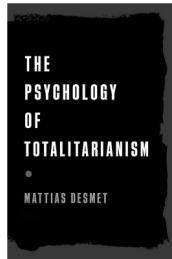
- Not a conspiracy theory, writings spell out the plan
 - Klaus Schwab, Yuval Noah Harari, & Bill Gates main thinkers
 - Reduce world population to 500,000,000
 - AI & digital currency, transhumanism
 - Algorithms, brain implants, watches and hats
 - New religion of collective social contracts
 - Talking about the next pandemic, EMP, and cyber attacks

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Control Of The Population

Fear – Mass Psychosis

- Death
 - Sickness
 - Disinformation
 - Food shortage
 - Gas shortage
 - Climate change
 - Gun violence



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Current Trends

- Truth is relative
 - Realize the use of terms that distort history, and meaning. Example from someone on Facebook
 - "The goal of socialism is to care for the people the government is supposed to serve."
 - In our day appearance is greater than truth
 - The use of fear, propaganda, and limited choice are used to manipulate public opinion

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The Clash Of Worldviews

- Biblical Worldview vs Current Culture
 - Why is it when I talk with people they seem to be on another planet?
 - Secular Humanism
 - Occult
 - Scientism
 - Socialism

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Current Trends in Churches

- A watered-down Gospel
 - Social Justice moves
 - Acceptance of Universalism
 - Lack of Biblical teaching
 - Lack of discipleship
 - Ignorance of the Dogmas of the faith
 - Withdrawn from the culture



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Moralistic Therapeutic Deism

The Religious and Spiritual Lives Of American Teenagers Christian Smith and Patricia Lundquist Denton Oxford University Press 2005

- A God exists who created and ordered the world and watches over human life on earth
 - God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other, as taught in the Bible and by most world religions

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Moralistic Therapeutic Deism

- The central goal of life is to be happy and feel good about oneself
- God does not need to be particularly involved in ones' life except when he is needed to resolve a problem
- Good people go to heaven when they die

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8 Stages of Genocide

The First 6 Stages are Early Warnings

- Classification
- Symbolization
- Dehumanization
- Organization
- Polarization
- Preparation

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**Stage 1:
Classification**

"Us versus them" is social engineered.

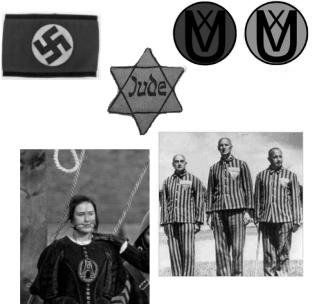
Classifying people by **Ethnicity, Race, Age, Religion, Wealth & Fame**, and even **HEALTHY** versus **SICK**, or **Vaccinated** versus **UnVaccinated**, is a primary method of dividing society and creating power struggles between groups.



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**Stage 2:
Symbolisation**

- Labels and marks to tell society what group you are in.
- Visible ways to identify people.
- Usually the targeted group are mandated to wear symbols to tell others they are inferior.



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Stage 3: Dehumanization



- ❖ Asymptomatic Spreaders
 - ❖ Anti-Vaxxers
 - ❖ Conspiracy Theorists
 - ❖ Anti-science idiots going to kill grandma
 - ❖ They should not have right to freely go out infect us!

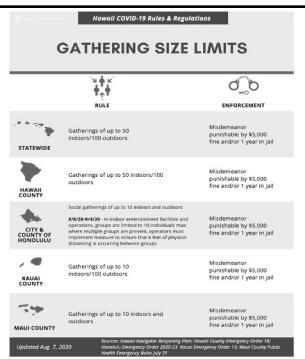
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Stage 4: Organization

- ❖ Government "Public Health" Mandates
 - ❖ Shutdowns
 - ❖ Quarantines
 - ❖ Tracking and tracing
 - ❖ Testing
 - ❖ Vaccine Passports



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Stage 5: Polarization

Through social intimidation, rules, and laws, the undesirable people are limited in how they can participate in society

- Segregation
 - Home Quarantine
 - Quarantined Hospital Wards/Nursing Homes and no visitors allowed
 - If you can't wear a mask you can't fly
 - Unvaccinated cannot reenter the country
 - Vaccine Passport required for entry into stores, restaurants, theaters
 - You can't work unless vaccinated
 - Children can't attend schools and daycares unless vaccinated

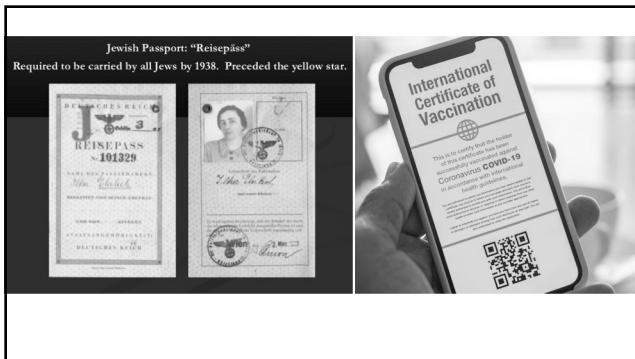


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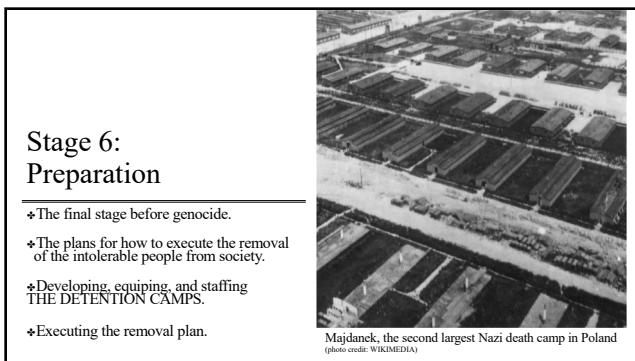
"If you're vaccinated, you have the key to open the door. But if you're not vaccinated, unfortunately, you won't be able to participate in most things. That's the point we're trying to make."



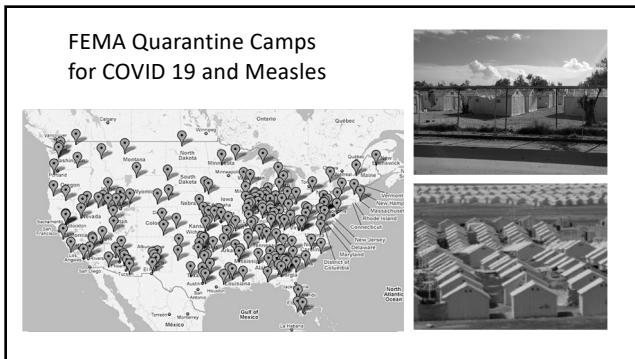
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Stage 7:
Extermination

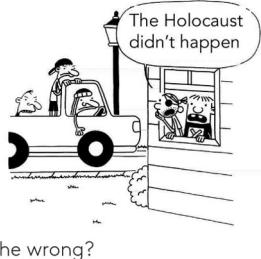
According to the UN,
there have been **over 70
million deaths due to
genocide** and politicides
since its founding.



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Stage 8:
Denial

❖ There are a significant number
of people deny the Holocaust.
❖ 33% on average
❖ 63% in the Middle East &
Africa



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The church has lost its ability to speak into
the general culture



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The Church

- Should have an influence on the culture
- Over the course of the last fifty years the church has lost its influence
- Religious liberty will depend on the engagement of Christians in their culture

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History As A Teacher

The German Church of the 1930's has many lessons to teach us today



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The German Church

- Did not discern the times
- Supported by the German Government



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The German Church

- Produced a false Jesus replacing a Jewish Jesus with an Arian Jesus
- Nazi services often turned to Occultism and/or a worship of Hitler



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The Aryan Clause Oath



A Oath of
Loyalty
was
required
by Hitler

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The Confessing Church

- Stood against Hitler
- Confessed Jesus as Lord not Hitler
- Did not believe in racial superiority
- Paid heavy price for stance in God
- Many went to jail or sent to the eastern front as soldiers

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Dietrich Bonhoeffer

- A leader of the Confessing Church
 - Saw early on what was about to happen
 - Resisted the State-run church



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Dietrich Bonhoeffer

- Involved in a plot to kill Hitler
 - Sent to prison
 - Hung by direct orders of Hitler five days before prison camp was liberated



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Karl Barth



- Refused to take loyalty oath to Hitler
 - Wrote the Barmen Declaration

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"The task of the Christian is not to whine about the moment in which he lives but to understand its problems and respond appropriately to them"

Carl Trueman [The Rise and Triumph of the Modern self](#), page 30

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A Willingness To Change

- The survival of the church will depend on its prayer and flexibility
- The survival of the church will depend on its ministry to the 3 to 25 year-olds in the church
- The survival of the church will depend on its passion to reach the lost

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Worldview Perception

- Biblical Worldview
 - A world created by the spoken word of God
 - From chaos (or nothing), to an order
 - A grand master plan
 - Physical order by design
 - Moral order by design
 - Spiritual order by design
- A life cycle that can not be altered Hebrews 9:27

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Subject	Biblical	Islam	Socialist	Secular
God	God	A God	No God	No God
Revelation	Bible	Koran & Others	Marx & Engels	No Revelation
Universe	Design & Purpose	Man to obey Allah	No Design Or Purpose	No Design Or Purpose
Man	Created	Created	Chance	Chance
Value Of Man	Man made in God's Image	God Created but not in God's Image	Economic Output	Economic Output
Ethics	Theistic Ethics	Imam	Situational Ethics	Situational Ethics
Economy	Free Trade	Sharia Law	Government Ownership	Regulated Trade
Goal Of History	Return of Jesus	Total Sharia Law	Economic struggle	Progressing

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What does the Bible say?

- Man is unique
 - Given the gift of life
 - Made in God's image
 - Given the breath of life
 - Made as co-creator
 - Given the sacred institution of marriage
 - Given command to be fruitful, multiply and subdue the earth



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The Uncompromising Foundations Of The Faith

- Trinity
 - Universal sin of man
 - Incarnation
 - Miracles, Healings and Gifts of The Holy Spirit
 - Blood Atonement
 - Resurrection
 - Second Coming

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Does scripture have a design for life?

- God's design is the cycle of life around his design of family
 - Birth
 - Growth
 - Marriage
 - Childrearing
 - Death



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God's Design For Sex

- The expression of love in the marital covenant
 - The acceptance of the responsibility of parenthood
 - The co-creation of the human race



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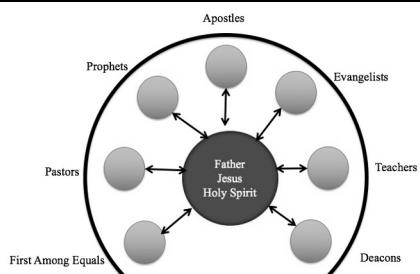
3- To 25-Year-old

- The targeted age group
- Making critical life decisions
- The future of the church – one generation away
- Should be the focus of ministry
- Discipleship and equipping

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Kingdom focus	Empire focus
Build for Kingdom	Build for self
Cooperation	Exclusion
Engage Culture	Internal Culture
Outreach	Inward
Five Fold	CEO Mentality
Make Disciples	Make Members

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Needed Action Plan

1. Truth will be not by fact but emotion – Know the truth and the arguments
 2. Education will be used to indoctrinate the young and the media to indoctrinate the masses – form sources of true mass media and historic western culture for education
 3. Form political alliances to run, and support, candidates for office
 4. ALL should be activist along with nonviolent civil disobedience

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How To Prepare

- The role of the church must return to the commission given by Jesus in Matthew 28
 - The infostructure of the church must change
 - Ministry main focus and target group, 3- to 25-year-olds
 - Small group ministry is the foundation of the ministry along with large gatherings
 - The training of five-fold ministries to reproduce themselves in the church
 - Prayer and allowing the Holy Spirit to move is essential

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How Should We Then Live?

- The truth concerning the world we live in is found in one primary source, that is the Bible 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- We are to live according to scriptural truths and principals which will protect and prosper us in God's creation
- Our knowledge of the truth should motivate us to mission 2 Corinthians 5:11, 14-15
- We are mandated to share the Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

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**I WILL NOT COMPLY
I WILL NOT LIE DOWN
I WILL NOT GO QUIETLY
I WILL NOT SUBMIT
I WILL NOT ROLL OVER
I WILL NOT SHUT UP**

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Civil Disobedience



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What to Do

- Take the threat seriously – Prepare - Get your house in order
 1. Prepare both Spiritually and Otherwise
 2. Have a three-month supply of food, money (gold & silver) & protective gear
 3. Prepare for living without energy or transportation
 4. Learn history, Biblical theology, Government and lost arts
 5. Be aware of fake news
 6. Be part of a community of believers
 7. Churches need to restructure and equip

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