

## Rereading the Declaration Of Independence

When was the last time you read the Declaration of Independence? Grade school? High School? Everyone should take the time to read it again, especially in today's world. You will probably reread several sentences or paragraphs as the language is of an earlier time. Many will read it this time with the passing of time, where we have endured wars, raised families, confronted death and injury. While reading it now try to place yourself in 1776. It was an environment of no running water, no drugstores or grocery stores, mud everywhere. You traveled by foot, horse or wagon. It could take John Adams weeks to commute from Massachusetts to Philadelphia. In the meantime, his wife had to tend to the family and the farm. Life was a bitch.

Our founding fathers and their families put a lot of their life into starting this country. Their actions were subject to hanging by the King. Most of the members in our current body in Congress and the White House would not have survived. Not just the physical challenges, but the mental acuity and honesty to represent our country. They are weak when it comes to standing for what is truthful and just in governing the country. There were differences in the days of our forefathers for sure, but they also saw the vision of a great country. Their basic understanding of the injustices that exist in monarchies and autocratic rule was the overriding principle in our founding. Their goal then as should be now was to form a country with an ideal system of justice.

We are a country that has evolved as a nation, perhaps slower than many wanted, but still grew toward the goal of ideal justice. Our leaders today have lost sight of that goal. The mantra defund police and open borders is not in the interest of the people of this country. It is *this* country our leaders are supposed to protect. They are to take care of our people's security so that we can all pursue happiness.

We literally have retarded thinking congressional leaders along with a presidential administration that legislates and manages the country to the detriment of the citizens of the United States. Defunding police and a turn-style form of arrest and release does not help any law-abiding citizen. Criminals see the complacency in the enforcement of laws as an opportunity to commit more crimes. The very neighborhoods that need policing pay the price, sometimes in the loss of life.

Allowing illegal aliens to freely cross into our country is an assault on the rule of law. Just as we see criminals getting a free pass to break the law, so do illegal aliens. This is an abuse of the citizens and businesses along the border. They are confronted by illegal aliens wandering their streets, infiltrating their schools and hospitals. All at the expense of the taxpayers. The current situation at our southern border is a travesty. Untold illegal aliens are being transported across the country and into communities without regard to the law-abiding citizens of the community.

How are these actions different than those of King George III in the 1770s? We revolted at how we in America were treated by the King. He ignored our laws and taxed us without consent, Government leaders suspended our freedoms, allowed terrorist to burn and loot our cities,

imprisoned people with excessive sentences for simple crimes. The federal government now wants to usurp the states right to govern as endowed by the constitution in regards to voting.

The Second Amendment of the constitution states quite clearly that our right to bear arms is not to be infringed. There are no exceptions as to what type of arm. It should be noted that it is the second amendment out of ten. It indicates the importance that the forefathers placed on that right. Yet, congress and the president are working to take that right away. Do not be misled by their words. Pay attention to their actions.

Jean Jacques Rousseau wrote a book in 1762, *The Social Contract*. It dealt with the balancing of power and authority versus personal freedom. His core thesis was that individual freedom was stymied by the authority of the state. (Recall the Infringing of our Second Amendment?) His theory of “the general will” identified that laws by dictators routinely impinge on freedoms. (States’ pandemic lockdowns sound familiar?)

Freidrich Nietzsche wrote a book in 1862, *The Gay Science*. It is the source for the quote “God is dead.” He was referring to the diminishing state of Christianity in Europe. For centuries Christianity was the basis for society’s rules in Europe. This trend led Nietzsche to proffer that as science affected some of the values and beliefs held by the people they would move away from their moral principles and look for another type of “religion.” He feared that religion would be the secular promises of fascism and communism. (Sound familiar? Pro-abortion, redefine the language, subordinate control of the press and the media.)

The second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence lists our “unalienable” rights of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness among others. It goes on to state that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends then it is the Right of the People to alter or abolish the government. Keep this in mind as we watch our freedoms and liberties being taken away in the name of the public good. We are the public. Taking away our freedoms is never for our good. It only benefits the rulers.

Next time you go to vote remember who took away your Pursuit of Happiness to visit your loved ones. Or your liberty to earn a living or go to school. Or your freedom to go to church or eat in a restaurant.

Read the Declaration of Independence and see if I am right. Let me know.

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