

A COVENANT LETTER

TO PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP AND REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS MASSIE

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"You shall appoint judges and officers in all your gates... and they shall judge the people with righteous judgment. You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality... Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue."

— Deuteronomy 16:18-20

"If any case is too difficult for you to decide... you shall arise and go to the place which Yahweh (God) your Elohim chooses. So you shall do according to whatever they instruct you... You shall not turn aside from what they tell you, to the right or to the left."

— Deuteronomy 17:8-11

TO PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP AND REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS MASSIE:

I write to you both not as a partisan, not as a member of any political party, and not as an instrument of any media narrative. I write as a covenant servant of Yahweh (God), grounded in the Hebrew Tanakh, as a founding member of the Counsel of Peace, and as the son of Staff Sergeant Terry Gilman Arcemont — killed in action in 1967 in service to this nation.

I have earned the right to speak to both of you. My family paid for it in blood.

WHAT I SEE IN BOTH OF YOU — AND WHY IT MATTERS

President Trump, I see a man who carries a genuine fire for the American people. You have fought against a corrupt media establishment, against globalist interests that hollowed out American industry, against a border crisis that endangered American families. You have shown that a leader can absorb an almost unimaginable level of attack and keep standing. That is not nothing. That is a form of strength that millions of Americans rightly admire.

But I also see a man who confuses loyalty with agreement, and disagreement with betrayal. You have surrounded yourself — by your own design — with people who will not tell you hard truths. You prioritized loyalty above expertise in your staffing, and the Iran war is the direct result. The men you named as the architects of that war — a television host, a real estate developer, a special envoy — were not equipped by experience or training to carry the weight of that decision. And when the consequences began to mount, you named them publicly rather than bearing the weight yourself. That is not the conduct of the leader the American people need right now.

Congressman Massie, I see a man of rare principle. You voted with this president 91% of the time. You forced the release of the Epstein files when your own colleagues called you an embarrassment and backed down in fear. You stood against an unauthorized war when standing was costly. You have said plainly what most of your colleagues whisper only in private. That is courage.

But I also see a man who has allowed righteous indignation to drift toward performance. Your mockery of the president's voice at your own campaign rally — however justified

your frustration — is not the conduct of a judge of Yahweh (God). The standard in Deuteronomy 16 is not simply to be right. It is to pursue justice with honor, without partiality, without contempt. A man who is right but speaks with contempt loses the moral authority his position demands.

THE COVENANT STANDARD: DEUTERONOMY 16:18 AND 17:8-13

Yahweh (God) established a governance framework in ancient Israel that has never been improved upon. In Deuteronomy 16:18, He commanded that judges be appointed in every gate — not to serve the king, not to serve the party, not to serve their own careers — but to judge with righteous judgment. They were explicitly forbidden to show partiality, to take bribes, or to pervert justice for any reason.

In Deuteronomy 17:8-13, Yahweh (God) addressed what happens when cases become too difficult — when the judge and the king are in conflict about what is right. The answer was not that the king silences the judge. The answer was not that the judge humiliates the king. The answer was that both parties go together to seek the higher standard — the Word of Yahweh (God) — and both submit to what it reveals.

That is the framework this conflict requires.

President Trump — you are not above the standard. No king in Israel ever was. The moment a king silenced the judges, Israel fell. Every time. Without exception. The book of Kings is a chronicle of what happens when a ruler surrounds himself with those who only say yes.

Congressman Massie — you are not above the standard either. The judge's role in Deuteronomy is not to destroy the king. It is to speak truth to him and trust Yahweh (God) to do the rest. When the judge makes himself the story, he has stepped outside his calling.

THE FIVE POINTS OF RESOLUTION

POINT ONE: Acknowledge the Shared Foundation

Both of you claim to serve the American people above all else. That claim must be tested not by what you say about yourselves but by what you are willing to sacrifice for that claim. President Trump — are you willing to sacrifice the comfort of unchallenged loyalty for the harder gift of honest counsel? Congressman Massie — are you willing to sacrifice the applause of your base for the harder work of genuine reconciliation? If the answer to both is yes, there is a foundation to build on.

POINT TWO: Separate the Person from the Principle

The Iran war is not about whether Thomas Massie likes Donald Trump. The Epstein files are not about whether Donald Trump likes Thomas Massie. These are constitutional and moral questions that exist entirely independent of personal feeling. President Trump, Massie's opposition to the war is not an attack on you — it is a defense of the people who elected you both. Congressman Massie, the president's anger at your independence is not evidence of corruption — it is evidence of a man who has not yet learned that the strongest leaders are those who can tolerate being challenged.

POINT THREE: Return to the Constitutional Covenant

The Constitution of the United States is a covenant document. It distributes power deliberately — not as bureaucratic inconvenience but as a safeguard against the kind of concentrated authority that destroys republics. President Trump, Article 1 of that covenant gives Congress the power to declare war. That is not an obstacle to your

strength. It is the framework that makes your strength legitimate. A war fought within constitutional authority is a war the American people own together. A war launched by executive decree alone is a war that belongs only to you — and when it goes wrong, it falls on you alone.

Congressman Massie, the constitutional framework you are defending is not just a political position. It is the covenant structure that Yahweh (God) established through the founders — the principle that no single man should hold unchecked power over the lives of other men. Defend it with the gravity it deserves.

POINT FOUR: Agree on What America First Actually Means

Both men claim the America First mantle — but with fundamentally different definitions. President Trump's version has increasingly come to mean: whatever advances the president's agenda first. Congressman Massie's version means: whatever the American people actually voted for — no new wars, lower prices, fiscal responsibility, government transparency.

The resolution lies in returning to the original meaning: the lives of American service members, the wages of American workers, the safety of American families, and the sovereignty of the American constitutional order come before every other consideration. By that standard, Massie is right about the Iran war. By that standard, Trump was right about the border, trade, and the deep state. Both truths can coexist — but only if both men are willing to measure themselves against the standard rather than against each other.

POINT FIVE: Seek the Higher Seat of Judgment Together

Deuteronomy 17 does not ask the king and the judge to agree with each other. It asks them both to go together to a higher authority. For ancient Israel that was the Word and priesthood of Yahweh (God). For the American republic, that higher authority is the Constitution, the will of the people, and — for those who believe — the Word of Yahweh (God) Himself.

I am calling on both of you to do what that passage commands. Not to surrender your convictions. Not to pretend the conflict does not exist. But to bring this conflict before a standard higher than either of your egos — and to submit to what that standard reveals.

A PERSONAL WORD TO BOTH OF YOU

My father did not die for a president's legacy. He did not die for a congressman's reelection. He died for the idea that this nation, under Yahweh (God), with liberty and justice for all, was worth defending with his life.

Seven more American fathers, sons, and brothers have now died in the Iran war. Sgt. Benjamin N. Pennington, 26, of Glendale, Kentucky — Congressman Massie, that young man was from your state — died on March 1, 2026 at Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia. He deserves better than a political feud between two men who both claim to represent him.

The cost of your conflict is being paid by people who have no voice in it. That is the word Yahweh (God) would have His judges hear.

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— Deuteronomy 16:20

Respectfully submitted in covenant truth and the pursuit of peace,

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Peace and Blessings.