

They've let us down, but we don't know what to do without them.

Many are seeking relief from what is befalling the world in this moment... lockdowns, mandatory closings of businesses and services, mandatory medical interventions from masks to tests to injections...

In their quest for relief, many are appealing to the courts. The courts have let us down.

Many are appealing to their respective legislators and legislatures, and some even to our federal legislature, the US Congress. With the exception of a few "red states" all the legislatures have let us down.

What's left but the executive branch of our government? In my state, there's a picketing event planned for next week at the Chief Executive Officer's (the governor) home, in order to appeal to him personally. He has let us down. The national CEO has let us down. Most states' CEOs have let them down.

To whom then, can we appeal for relief? Our current governmental system now exists in its three branches, it's not going away, and they've all let us down!

We can't just scrap the whole thing and start again, can we? How can the whole thing change or be changed? It can't! This is what it is!

Really?

It can't change!... but it did.

The history of the world has been one of governments much like the one that appears to be steaming, full speed ahead towards us, only worse.

History tells us of tyrants, despots, oligarchs, kings, Caesars, Pharaohs, Senates, _____ fill in the blank ruling nations, and things never changed. For all intents and purposes, all of the above "governments" are *six-of-one, half-dozen-of-another*¹. The people in all those places where *whatever* type of government existed were largely powerless to change things. How could they change things? How could things change? They couldn't.... until they did.

A phenomenal combination of events, orchestrated I believe by God, occurred on the North American Continent a few hundred years ago; a combination of events that has changed humankind's situation on planet Earth like nothing else (apart from the Messiah) ever has... and just a few hundred years ago, mind you!

Prior to that, the world existed under the above described governmental systems with no change possible, until God Himself made a change possible; the one from which we all now benefit.

For many millennia, nothing changed, until it did, and just a few hundred years ago.

1 Authoritarian governments have been around forever, but today's technology make Totalitarian governments possible in ways that were never possible before. If allowed to come to fruition, the totality of human life experience can today, be monitored and controlled.

By and large, those whom were involved in bringing about that change didn't realize the scope, breadth, significance of that endeavor in which they were involved, though perhaps some did. They just knew that every appeal to the government for relief/redress that was being made by them and their fellow citizens, was being made to a deaf ear. Every heart's cry was to the turned-away face of some government official, each a lackey of the bloodline, or of the last winning army, or of the party currently in charge...

Some bold men and women said what is tantamount to, *"All of those to whom we can now currently appeal do not care about us. Let's scrap this system, declare our independence from it, and start again with a system of, by and for the people."*

The overwhelming majority of the population said, *"You're crazy! It can't change and it is folly to try to change that which IS. Our safety and security will be threatened, and we're not sure we can make it in this life, without those currently in charge. Upon them we depend for too many things necessary to our lives, most especially our safety and security"*.

The people of the New World where this took place fell into three general but unevenly divided categories...

- 1) those whom would do whatever it took to change,
- 2) those whom chose to "sit this one out", and
- 3) those whom resisted the "changers".

Thankfully, regardless of being very, very outnumbered, those whom realized the truth of the matter, that things *Must* change, continued undeterred. At times frustrated, at times wondering, at times exhausted, but at the end of the day, undeterred.

These men and women realized that the choice that was being made was essentially the choice between slavery and freedom; between independence and the unhealthy realities of co-dependence; between being able to stand or crawling for one's lifetime to the hand that provides only the perception of safety and security from _____ fill in the blank: essentially the unknown.

What the human creature is willing do and/or forego for a sense of security is really astounding, but that's a subject for another day. Here now, I want to make the point that was made by those brave, undeterred men and women to whom I keep referring, that *those who will give up their freedom for security will get neither... nor will they deserve either.*

It's no secret

You all know the story to which I am referring: America's Founding, The War of Independence, The Revolutionary War... call it what you will.

It was the statement that we the people will no longer live as serfs, servants, indentured ones, slaves to any entity, even one that promises _____ fill in the blank.

It was the statement that our Creator has made us free, able to work together as human beings, and provide for our own with Him and one another at our sides. This interdependence of humanity, in

recognition of the Creator's gifts to humankind was what was intended by those man and women. Governments were described (rightly) by these men and women as existing *only* to protect human freedom and human interdependence on the Creator and on another. Governments were never intended to be the providers for those governed... surprisingly, not even in the matter of safety and security! Read the second amendment of our Bill of Rights and realize that the first line of defense in matters of safety and security was to be the people of the land; each family unit, each community providing for its own defense, and taking upon itself the responsibility of preparedness for such.

Security promises

There are those whom still will do and/or submit to the unspeakable for a sense of security. Think of the plight of battered wives, abused children, sex slaves, the kidnapped... all yearning to be free, yet many staying in their bondage, afraid of something worse "out there" on their own.

Those whose circumstances are as above are to be rescued and personally empowered to the degree that they become able once healed. But for those whose circumstances are not as above, but are just afraid to be - what shall I say - responsible for themselves, less protections will come their way.

While I sympathize with their fear, and understand what can come of feeling powerless and afraid, they are functioning at a level that precludes leadership. They cannot be put in charge as they are now, at the municipal level, the state level and/or the national level. Such fear, such timidity is a disqualifying thing.

Compassionately, they will be afforded the benefits of a free state, fought for and won by better men and women, who are willing to continue said fight to preserve the freedoms of their city, state and nation despite the needlessly dependent and fearful.

To those actually powerless to provide for their own, we will provide for them, assist them, protect them and love them. Those whom are able and empowered to provide for their own, yet choose not too, are demonstrating a deep, deep flaw which, while worthy of pity, is not worthy of support, and they are most certainly not to be followed.

Today

Where are "those men and women" today? Look around. They are your friends, your neighbors, your co-workers, your relatives... many feeling outnumbered and thus afraid to speak. But speak they must.

They believe, as has all the world since it began, that things cannot change. They have been made to feel powerless by those whose design and intent it is to make them feel powerless. But they are not powerless.

You are not powerless. I am not powerless, and we must find one another and continue to empower and encourage one another. We must remind one another that just because it's been like this for so long, does NOT mean that it must stay this way! That I am free to speak this, write this, share this, is evidence that the freedom that was bled for just a few hundred years ago still lives in the hearts of men and women.

What was done then, can be done again. They had sticks, rocks, single-shot muskets and spines of steel.

We have at our disposal far more tools and weaponry than they. All we are missing are the spines.

Stand with me. Share the truth. Share this if you'd like. Tell others and build the army; it's a larger one than you think, largely because the enemy has been allowed to convince us of our own, individual powerlessness, and of our collective powerlessness... both lies from hell that still smell like smoke, for nothing could be further from the truth.

Men and women have stood, down through the ages, empowered by the Creator to stand as freeborn men and women. I will be one of them, and I ask you to join me.

It can be different, even as it became different just a few hundred years ago on this North American Continent. It can happen again.

Let us, together with God and on His side, standing for true justice, human equality, freedom and the love of humanity, be that army of men and women who will say No.

No, I am not powerless, and no, you will not enslave me. I will stand with other freeborn men and women, declaring our freedom with whatever it takes, for as long as it takes, because that's what it takes.

Love... Pastor