

# Government: The Problem, Not the Solution



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George Washington called government “a fearful master” and an untrustworthy servant. Then he became our first president. He set an example by stepping down after two terms. The world marveled at it.

For all his misgivings about government, Washington also understood that some form of it was indispensable. He helped craft our country’s model of government, the Constitution. But even reined in by the Constitution, government inevitably hungered for more power, always seeking to expand. That’s how it was, then. That’s how it is, now. Human nature being what it is.

In recent years, government has tugged harder and harder against the reins of law and custom. COVID “mandates” strained the limits almost to the breaking point. Could George Washington have lived to see how government today muscles up against the people, he might feel called to go to war again.

We are seeing government go mad with lust for power—always more and more. There was little resistance to the COVID “mandates”—people were told there would be mass deaths unless the government had its way. This took many forms: lockdowns, churches forced shut, mass censorship on social media—and before you knew it, the FBI was “investigating” parents who didn’t like their local school boards’ policies. And some

rather prominent citizens fell under criminal indictment for questioning the results of an election! Since when was it against the law to be... wrong? Somehow only Republicans get indicted for protesting an election. Democrats are allowed to do it to their hearts' content.

Government seeks to wipe out all limits on itself and impose them on the people. It goes back a long, long way. The prophet Samuel warned the tribes of Israel what a king would do to them if they insisted on having one. How, he cried, had God's laws proved insufficient? Israel wound up with a good king from time to time; but also with enough bad ones to get their Holy City sacked and its people carried off to captivity in Babylon.

Rome had a republic. They never succeeded in resolving the conflicts inherent in their system, and eventually the Caesars took it over and the republic died. They killed it.

When the state honors God's laws, it secures—as Thomas Jefferson said—domestic tranquility and the blessings of liberty “to ourselves and our posterity.” There are righteous laws that the civil government dare not break. In return, the people give their obedience to the state. It's only when the state succumbs to lust for power that the people lose their liberty; and with it, justice.

Today this is happening all over the world. They've got Lady Liberty in their crosshairs and they intend to bring her down. Yes, globalists, that means you.

How many mandates, how many executive orders, how much political infighting and chicanery, how much of a two-tiered justice system can we absorb before our Bill of Rights becomes a dead letter, and the Declaration of Independence a forbidden document?

We are perilously close to finding out.

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