## Throwing Away the Steering Wheel



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Let's dust off my Political Science degree and see if I learned anything, back then, that helps me understand events today.

In studying "game theory," we envisioned two cars racing toward a head-on collision: "playing chicken." How do you win a game of "chicken"?

Simple! Just throw your steering wheel out the window. When the other driver sees it, he will realize that you can't change course—it's entirely up to him whether there is a collision or not. He will have to swerve out of the way: otherwise, it's a head-on crash. He can't throw out his steering wheel. So you win.

Unless, of course, the other driver has the same idea, at the same time, and he throws away his steering wheel, too. But then the crash becomes inevitable, so he doesn't dare do that.

Which brings us to the politically motivated "indictment" of President Donald Trump and the weaponization of the Justice Dept. against conservatives. And if Republicans retaliate in kind, Victor Davis Hansen warns, down the tubes goes our republic. That was the fate of ancient Rome's republic. That's how they lost it.

Democrats, liberals, progressives are all pursuing policies which can hardly lead to any good result. To cite just one example: a "transgender" invades a school and murders half a dozen people, including three little children—and what does the shambling jidrool in the White House say? "Transgendered people shape the soul of our country." (Oh! So that's what's wrong? Well, we knew it had to be something serious.) So they use our public schools to "reassign gender" of children, subjecting them to drugs and surgeries that will render them incapable of having children themselves. If everyone did this, obviously it would lead to the extinction of the human race.

They thumb their noses at us, convinced that their political opponents wouldn't dare retaliate in kind. They put the FBI to work spying on parents who complain about their local school boards' insane racial doctrines. If Republicans were to come to power, what would happen to America if they used that power to sic the Justice Dept. on their own political rivals? Presto! No "justice" at all! Just a lot of people playing tit-for-tat while our cities burn. Plutarch gives us a chilling description of the waning of Rome's republic: armed bands wandering the streets on election days, looking for "wrong" voters to be kept from the polls by... violence.

They, too, both sides, threw the steering wheel out the window.

The reason it's a guaranteed win is that the other side dares not do the same things. You can't win at "chicken" if the other driver is just as determined as you are, not to swerve out of the way of the collision. Our "game theory" offered no solution to the problem. The only hope would be to vote the opposing party out of office—forever—and then try to undo the insane policies that brought us all here in the first place. And that's hard to do when the other side controls the voting machines.

The Left does not care if it trashes our constitutional

republic. They speak as if they welcomed it. Then, on the ruins, and without any meaningful opposition, they could build their socialist "gender-fluid" utopia. I mean, who wants to run for president if losing the election means the winner gets to jail you? "Not caring" is the same as throwing out the steering wheel in a game of chicken.

Rome's solution was to keep the republic in name only and surrender all power to strong leaders who re-made the state as an empire, with an emperor in charge, a rubber-stamp Senate, and a populace kept politically anesthetized with free bread and circuses.

This is where we're headed if we don't change our ways.

I have discussed these and other topics throughout the week on my blog, <a href="http://leeduigon.com/">http://leeduigon.com/</a>. Click the link and drop in for a visit... while it's still allowed. My articles can also be found at <a href="http://www.chalcedon.edu/">www.chalcedon.edu/</a>.

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