

Our Third and Final American Civil War – To Control

The Second American Revolution – 2008 to 2014 – Our Seven Year Civil War

“How much does each of us really care about our fellow American citizens?”

What I have referred to as our Second American Revolution (SAR) is all about We the People demanding that our elected national leadership aggressively address the problems and issues we face today in our neighborhoods and as a nation – to fulfill their solemn responsibility to dutifully attend to the Common Good of our citizens. To do their job!

“Our” Civil War will reconcile the National Vision of where the nation expects to be tomorrow, and what prudent and practical changes will be required within our National System – the way America *really works* on a day-to-day basis — in order to begin making that Vision our daily reality – starting in 2008!

As we enter the year 2008, it is some 232 years since the start of the American Revolution and some 147 years since the start of the great American Civil War. The unavoidable time has come my fellow Americans for what we all must pray shall be our final internal battle to define what the United States of America stands for, what American Democracy means to every American citizen, and most importantly the specific path to be taken for our nation to realize that desired future.

As previously stated, this will not be a physical war although there will certainly be moments when it will be seem just as radical as our War of Independence and as intense as the brother-against-brother fighting in the war to save the Union.

The benefits of this our Final Civil War will be to *Preserve* the traditional fabric of American society, to insure the American Dream for our citizens, and to save American lives everyday that are now being *allowed* to be lost not only on the battlefield, but in our very neighborhoods. “Allowed” to be lost by a dysfunctional National System that is currently controlled an irresponsible and self-serving Few, and runs increasingly against the Common Good of the Many.

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Should, the message of the *Second Coming of Common Sense (CS2)* gain public attention and popular acceptance, I believe the following years will properly come to be known as our Third American Civil War. “Our” Civil War will be fought in newspapers, on radio, network and cable television, on the Internet, and in literally tens of millions of discussions between two and more people as we as a nation determine who we are, what we stand for, what we expect of each other,

what we expect of business, as well as what we will tolerate from other nations and their peoples, and **what we will not!**

It will be all those things, because that is what is needed at this our moment in time. This of necessity will be an absolute societal confrontation that will define the future Common Good of our fellow American citizens – you, me, and everyone else. It will be waged between the all too often Silent Majority of the American people and those Few that seek to and currently do exercise irresponsible control over the political and economic machinery that drives our National System.

It is a internal war that We the People can join in together **and win** for the Common Good of all Americans living today and those that will follow us in future generations.

Paine’s Common Sense Analogy and Ours

That was Then

In *Common Sense*, Thomas Paine presented the not totally popular, yet practical and logical reasoning for the American colonists to do what seemed the impossible — to become a new nation independent from England. And why they needed to do it now and not put it off for some additional years down the road!

The analogy Paine used in his radical pamphlet was,

“Why should a Continent be ruled by an Island?”

It was a reasonable question for them to consider then.

This is Now

The social and economic problems we suffer with in today’s America can be remedied if We the People decide to act upon viable solution-oriented proposals such as those presented in An American Agenda and others that will follow. Therefore, I ask you,

“Why should the fate of the Many be controlled by the Few?”

It is the reasonable question for us to consider now!

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The disproportional balance of political power is the underlying and dominant reality in nations all around the world. This all too common power structure leaves too many opportunities for mischief and blatant abuse of power. Remember the classic warning regarding uncontrolled power, “*Absolute power corrupts, absolutely.*”

However, We the People will not continue to be led down that old road, and We will not be made to bow to anyone or anything! We will not allow America to continue to digress to the political state that our national ancestors fought the Revolutionary War to rid themselves of. And that is where we are slowly being led now.

Consider This Perspective

In recent years the perpetual debate over *Creationism versus Evolution* has picked up some speed. And Creationism is now often referred to as “Intelligent Design” in the press, scientific, and academic communities.

I will not touch on that passionate debate herein other than to offer that at the very bottom line after having heard the strong arguments from both houses, it must be acknowledged that “both” are technically still theories. Reality strikes again.

For those that support Creationism or Intelligent Design, their viewpoint it is based upon faith in God and religious teaching — it cannot be proven even though some say the data points to that conclusion. *Webster* defines *faith* as, “firm belief in something for which there is no proof.”

Evolutionists on the other hand, have not been able to provide the infamous ‘missing link’ between monkey and human – as much as they keep trying to “infer” it. Technically that missing link is wider than the Grand Canyon. Thus, neither has been proven and both remain theories. Period.

And pardon me, but frankly American society has far more important “issues” to spend our time and energy on. The constant and rather boring debate over what are personally based, private opinions will not do anything to resolve a single issue on the public Grievance List presented earlier. Not one.

During political campaigns and in between them — such issues serve only as distracting domestic propaganda. Belaboring such issues is a way for politicians that are supposed to be our national leadership to avoid discussing real public problems – let alone working to resolve any of them.

Far too much wasted time.

Not Theory – Historic Reality

I would offer that there has been a natural Evolution of government since the dawn of civilization. Unfortunately, from the beginning it has and today continues to follow the *law of the jungle* — survival of fittest. For all those centuries, indeed for thousands of years as civilization evolved it could only produce various dictatorial and oppressive forms of secular and religious governments where the Few ruled over the Many – and most often with a cruel, if not merciless hand.

Then along came 1776! And the Common people drew a line in the sand of history, and “**intelligently designed**” and boldly implemented a radically new form of government under which the Many were to rule their own nation and control their own destiny. The democratic Right to *popular rule* was the Founders’ absolute intention for We the People — for our national ancestors to be in charge of their national voyage.

Since that First American Civil War, America has experienced highs and lows along our national voyage and I will not mention any of those now. We the People have thus far accomplished some critical course adjustments over the course of our 232 year voyage. Although it is fair to say that it has often been achieved in reaction to or by recovering from crisis rather than avoiding it — and we can do better.

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Today we find ourselves in critical need of domestic and foreign policy clarifications.

You have read the contents of An American Agenda, I hope. Those proposals aggressively confront hard issues, many of which if allowed to further digress will eventually force us to again react in crisis to correct. Or the worse case scenario — we do nothing, things deteriorate, and we just accept it! We become peasants, again.

That will surely happen if *We the People* will not decide to control our own destiny. It is our choice to make and we must decide now!

We can no longer stand around like peasants waiting for leadership that simply is not coming! Just as the American colonists of 1776 decided that enough was enough – the American citizens of 2008 – yes we must now decide that enough is enough. And as I like to say, when you finally reach the point where you want to scream that you have had enough, you have really had too much! How much have you wanted to scream in recent years?

Now at the Edge

We will make it known to all parties and beyond all doubt of our Common Intolerance for the dysfunctional status quo within our National System and that it will now be corrected for the Common Good. We will publicly declare and demonstrate that we are again assuming the Civil Responsibility to control *our* country and to insure *our* viable national destiny.

We are at the Revolutionary Edge of dramatic economic, social, and civil changes in our National System that could be equated to prudent and all too necessary adjustments to the Founders' original "intelligent design" for American society.

The types of logical policy changes that are required to set such an "intelligent re-design" of our National System in motion were presented in An American Agenda. And there will of course be others. We are considering significant and socially prudent refinements and corrections to the National System – and all under the proper control of the U.S. Constitution. This role is ultimately our Civil Responsibility in order to protect and defend the Common Good of our fellow American citizens and the Welfare of our nation!

Also consider that the issues that we are raising in An American Agenda and are encouraging for open public debate across our nation — will absolutely bring about similar outbreaks of conversation around the rest of the world. Such reaction could very well become an unintended side-effect of our Second American Revolution – America first and then the world.

That of course, is exactly what our First American Revolution caused to happen. The shock waves of that first Democratic "big bang" are still reverberating around the globe.

And it needs to happen again! And it needs to happen now!

They, the people of the American colonies were to strike the decisive blow against the oppressive Old World System. Theirs' was to be a historic and monumental stand against the Old World Order that had so tyrannically ruled all of the peoples, of all the countries in the world throughout human history.

Until the American Revolution and the coming of American Democracy

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For just one moment my fellow Americans, consider that all those people, in all those countries, were really our common national ancestors. If each of us goes back far enough in our own family tree we will find that with very few

exceptions, We the People — all of us — descended from humble beginnings. Go back far enough in your family's history and you will find the peasants — you will find the meek!

How many of our ancestors lived in circumstances where they could not have 'even imagined' such a way of life — to live in a free society that the American colonists found it within their power to create?

In the normal “course of human events” the leaders of the Old World were (and in too many cases still are) perpetually passing on power to their next generation of oppressors – whether family or political ally. And that self-serving cycle of political dominance would have continued along the same oppressive path if something like the American Revolution and Democracy had not gotten in the way. For after the living example of Freedom and Liberty for the Multitudes was out in the open for all to witness, the world would not let it go and the oppressors could not stop it.

The living example of “American Democracy” is a basic reason why the political and/or religious leadership of certain countries so dislikes America. It is because our mere existence demonstrates how failed their forms of government, their societies, and their oppressive domestic policies are. While still not perfect, our democratic form of government offers to our people far more than those governments are willing to provide their own people, even though it is totally within their power to give.

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The bold actions taken by the Founders, supported by a relatively small number of brave colonists (and some timely help from the French!), succeeded in forever altering the “Old World Order.” They established a new standard. They raised the bar of societal expectations and forever changed the entire direction of human and governmental history. They truly initiated the “New World Order” of their time and for all time!

The Leaders that the People fondly remember
and hold dearly in their collective hearts,
are the Leaders that were inspired to,
and by their bold actions,
led the People to a better life.

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