

The Devil, Democracy, and Dependency

Introduction

Opening Illustration –

1. Understanding Government
 - a. Overview of America

<https://youtu.be/tII57cchRqs?si=XnreXNQRj3J3MIMR&t=469> to 18:18

 - i. The flaw in Democracy is that the majority isn't restrained.
 - ii. (The rights of the gunman aren't subject to majority rule but to the law) is the essence of a Republic.
 - iii. Freedom is the proper limitation of government
 - b. Politics as easy as PIE
 - i. Integrity
 1. Morality = Don't do bad
 2. Character = Do what is right
 - ii. Economics
 1. How much of your money do you get to keep?
 - a. Less choices = freedom
 - b. Lower standard of living
 2. Who can take money from you?
 - a. Criminal
 - b. Government
 - c. Impact is the same.
 - d. Greater freedom means greater wealth
 - e. Greater government means greater poverty.
 - c. Condition of Freedom
 - i. Slavery is dependency.
 - ii. Freedom requires responsibility.
 - iii. Socialism requires dependency on government.
2. Amendment E

The State of South Dakota may not impose greater or additional burdens or restrictions on eligibility or enrollment standards, methodologies, or practices on any person eligible under this section than on any person otherwise eligible for Medicaid under South Dakota law, except that the State of South Dakota may, to the extent permitted by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, impose a work requirement on any person, eligible under this section, who has not been diagnosed as being physically or mentally disabled.

- a. Allows the state to implement a work requirement to receive expanded Medicaid. 2 Thessalonians 3:10; Genesis 3:19
- b. Work is necessary:

- i. For wealth. Proverbs 10:4; Proverbs 13:4; Proverbs 18:9
 - ii. For dignity. Genesis 2:15; Galatians 6:4-5
 - c. Government welfare is the destruction of charity. Ephesians 4:28
 - i. Making people more dependent on the government is enslaving them to the government.
 - ii. True Charity is voluntary.
- 3. Amendment H

A primary election held for the office of governor, a legislative office, a county office, the United States Senate, or the United States House of Representatives shall be open to all candidates and all qualified voters without regard to the candidates' or voters' party registration or affiliation, or lack thereof.

- a. Weakens the Party
 - i. There is nothing I dread So much, as a Division of the Republick into two great Parties, each arranged under its Leader, and concerting Measures in opposition to each other. This, in my humble Apprehension is to be dreaded as the greatest political Evil, under our Constitution.
 - ii. This is from a letter John Adams wrote to Jonathan Jackson on October 2, 1780.
 - iii. It does not weaken the two party system. Just weakens them in relation to each other. Independents and other parties are not currently on the
- b. More Like a Democracy
 - i. Political Moderates
 - ii. Much more expensive, longer campaigns
 - 1. Campaign to all registered voters for the primary.
 - 2. Campaign to November.
 - iii. True Republicans don't get a lot of financial support.

Closing Illustration –

Closing Thought