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The Constitution Makes AGA—Trump (Maybe You) Don't?

For some time, I've been of the opinion that most Americans need at least one good rationalization to get through the day. In my last article I made the point that as Americans our basis for discussion needs to be the Constitution/Bill of Rights, rather than scripture of the local religion, or any other religion. But, unheeding, some take the opportunity to call me a fool—thinking seven paragraphs of scripture will do the trick.

In my violent, alcoholic family, I learned that along with being a strong centering person—I have a huge helping of what I'll term 'lost child'—a child willing to compromise what he really thinks to be true. I'm unlearning that. Instead of compromising, now, with good will/quiet heart, I say what I mean.

As an example, though everyone in my neighborhood accedes to using *the pronouns* for one young person, I will never use the pronouns. That doesn't mean I don't respect others rights to—I'm a 1st Amendment guy.

And it doesn't mean I won't give one last try to those with cotton stuffed in their ears. Case in point: one reader denied vehemently that 170 girls were killed by an American attack in Iran—and unsubscribed. Trump said it was a faulty Iranian missile—but now it's confirmed: US, launched from Bahrain. The guy that unsubscribed, I've know for years so I gave it one last try. I forwarded an interview with Ray McGovern, one of the most heartfelt,

intelligent, and experienced analysts alive. Ray personally did the morning intelligence briefing for Reagan and other presidents. The guy came back with claptrap—ducking reality. I didn't respond—I'm done.

The sad truth is the Bill of Rights MAGA, not him. Making America Great Again is adhering to the Constitution/Bill of Rights. For a decade I attacked the left for failing at that. Now, I get the wrath of an ignorant right, as I make the case that we are in the hands of a narcissistic, treasonous, Trump.

Here's an example of a reader—rationalizing: *Attacking Iran was the smartest, most courageous decision an American president has made since Truman. And he's been getting criticism for doing it because it's not his job to declare war. He didn't declare war. He's just protecting our economic interests and he's not doing so for his personal aggrandizement. He's doing it for the American People. Substitute Hitler for Trump—the analogy holds.*

A problem with having a president who's lost it, such as Trump, is that his actions cause other loonies to lose it. Netanyahu needs no model, but Zelensky, climbing on that bandwagon, threatens the life of Viktor Orban if he blocks massive EU war aid to Ukraine.

Trump and his War Secretary are war criminals because international treaties, ratified by the Senate, join with the Constitution as the law of the land. Hence, Hegseth is a war criminal for his actions against small boats in Venezuela, given he allegedly ordered a return to kill helpless men in the water. Also, his sinking an unarmed Iranian frigate on the other side of the world—leaving sailors to die in shark infested waters—where they all died.

In a rational nation, Trump would be a political joke for insisting he will name the next ruler of Iran. Is there no embarrassment beyond the reach of this moron? Trump fired HS head Kristi Noem (the buck stop there), amid growing frustration over her self-promotional leadership style and bruising

congressional testimony this week. Give me a break. Does anyone in American history act out more self-promotion than Donald Trump?

Importantly, Trump, Friday morning, made clear in a Truth Social post that there will be 'no deal' except under 'unconditional surrender'. He also asserted that after this, Iran can 'select a great, acceptable leader' with his help and approval. Following this, CNN cited both Trump and Hegseth to say they rate the war at '12 or 15 out of 10.' (that's math for ya) Trump also sees gasoline prices going down—very quickly. Yeah? You wanna bet?

Trump feels badly for the people of Iran. He should—US foreign Policy has brought those people to the edge of starvation over 43 years. He's still upset about the the hostage crisis that came to be because the CIA perpetrated a coup in Iran to install the Shah.

Trump feels badly for 30,000 people killed in protests. It's 3000 DJ, and your buddy Bibi is responsible for most of them. It's so disappointing to me that justices Thomas, Alito, Kavanaugh, voted for Trump's tariff authority.

More proof that whichever side of the aisle you lean on—you're bought/sold.

What to watch for: Trump calls-off the midterms to keep illegals from voting. I can only find 47 instances of illegals voting ever having happened. It also troubles me when my friend reports on a weekly breakfast table, where without getting to the issues, there was general support for Trump.

And what about Musk? Is Musk owned by the US military? Does Ukraine get StarLink along with hundreds of units smuggled into Iran because Musk is more or less part of the problem/program?

And an aside that may tell the tale: there's a report tonight that madman Bibi says the plane is on its way to deliver a surprise for Iran. Find something to hang onto—Netanyahu may be making his bid for immortality. New-age Iranian missiles are now hitting Israel at will. Speculation that Iran will

run out of projectiles is likely bogus. Reportedly, Iran produces cell-phone guided drones with 100/200 lb. payloads faster than they use them. And Putin has made it clear—he's not neutral—he's there for Iran.

Turnabout is fair play. For 3 years, the West (US/NATO), has given intelligence to Ukraine to attack Russia. Now Trump is furious that Russia and China are doing that for Iran. Keep in mind how odd is the situation: who would have thought there would be an alliance between Russia/North Korea? Keeping in mind an alliance requires the other party to come to the aid of the party attacked, Putin has offered that to Iran—only Iran is hesitating.

For those of you who see Iran as muslim/mullah/madness, put this in your pipe and smoke it. 70% of university students in Iran are women. And, hateful, murderous Ayatollah Khamenei, a brave man—was beloved by millions.

Regarding Trump's claim of 6 dead Americans, George Galloway reports German hospitals account for 600 American casualties. Back home, 'boots on the ground' fear has conscientious objector hotlines ringing off the hook.

Americans who haven't done needed research are bewildered by geo-political events. We who research are not bewildered about what's happening. Still we don't understand who or what is making this happen. We know the actors—but our view of the director and the producer remains obscured.

The real problem for the United States is a transition away from free markets, beginning with Thatcher, Reagan, and now Trump where instead of a free market, ours is an economy for cronies—where oligarchs control. Now, this control focuses on energy rather than land/ labor—with labor relegated to the commodity oligarchs use to increase their wealth.

I have a good friend who frets about buying more silver with what may be an uncomfortable amount of dollars he's holding. I see that kind of fretting,

given the circumstances, as reasonable. Barring nuclear war, we each should be concerned about the placement of our wealth.

Given the reality, we should dollar-cost average, move our dollars into metals. Think on Bill Holter, trying to warn us, for more than a decade, about unsustainable credit and loss of manufacturing. Think on Bill and Andy Schectman (who understand), constantly reiterating that pre-65 dimes are the bargain of a lifetime.

When this thing goes, what happens? For those who manufacture what about debt settlement for imports/exports? The loss of a settlement currency multiplies the uncertainty for producers, exporters importers—by multiples. Imagine what it does to the guy on the street. Do you have any dimes?

Privatization is what offshored our jobs—not China. Americans were sold a *bill of goods*, convincing them that *privatization* would make life better—a message that rose to a crescendo during the Reagan/Thatcher years. But was it true? Did privatization eliminate government waste, or did it bring about something else? It brought the coming collapse of our economy.

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