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Greetings Patriots! Today's Sunday Podcast is "Re-Solving Our Problem." As we get into July, I am sure you know that this month represents much of America's history. We are especially mindful of the Declaration of Independence. Today I will briefly summarize the Continental Congress' process to declare our independence from Great Britain. I am also adding some of the correspondence of **John Adams** to his wife, **Abigail**. We can see some parallels to today's circumstances.

On June 7, 1776, **Richard Henry Lee** introduced his Resolution for Independence to Congress, with **John Adams** seconding it. Some of the Colonies were not ready to declare independence, but in time would be, so Congress delayed the vote on the "Lee Resolution" until July 1. Congress then appointed the "Committee of Five" to draft a formal declaration of independence. The five committeemen were **John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, Robert Livingston, and Thomas Jefferson**, the primary author. The Committee presented its initial draft to Congress on June 28, 1776.

As promised, Congress continued the **Lee Resolution** debate on July 1. Twelve colonies agreed to declare independence, with New York abstaining. Then on July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of the "*Lee Resolution*," which declared independence for the colonies from Great Britain. It read:

Resolved, That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved. That it is expedient forthwith to take the most effectual measures for forming foreign Alliances. That a plan of confederation be prepared and transmitted to the respective Colonies for their consideration and approbation.

On July 3, 1776, the day following Congress' approval of the Declaration of Independence, **John Adams** wrote to his wife, **Abigail Adams**:

It is the will of heaven that the two countries should be sundered forever. It may be the will of heaven that America shall suffer calamities still more wasting and distresses yet more dreadful. If this is to be the case, it will have this good effect, at least: it will inspire us with many virtues which we have not, and correct many errors, follies, and vices, which threaten to disturb, dishonor and destroy us...The furnace of affliction produces refinements in states, as well as individuals...

On the same day, Adams prophetically wrote:

The Delay of this Declaration to this Time, has many great Advantages attending it. - The Hopes of Reconciliation, which were fondly entertained by Multitudes of honest and well-meaning tho weak and mistaken People, have been gradually and at last totally extinguished. . . .

The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shews, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this time forward forever more."

John Adams continued: "You will think me transported with enthusiasm but I am not. I am well aware of the toil and blood and treasure, that it will cost us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. Yet through all the gloom I can see the rays of ravishing light and glory. I can see that the end is more than worth all the means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even although we should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not.

The **Continental Congress**, on July 4, 1776, approved the wording for the Declaration of Independence, and **John Hancock**, President, and **Charles Thomson**, Secretary, signed it. After he signed, Mr. Hancock said:

There! His Majesty can now read my name without spectacles. And he can double the reward on my head. (The Crown had offered a reward of 500 pounds sterling for Hancock's capture. That amounts to over \$100,000 in today's money.)

By some reports, possibly thirty-four delegates also signed. On August 2, 1776, the delegates to Congress who remained in Philadelphia signed the parchment copy. The rest of the delegates returned to Philadelphia and completed signing it by January of 1777.

We are typically in a hurry to make decisions and act on them. **John Adams** wrote to **Abigail** that the delay in officially declaring our independence had advantages. The primary advantage was that the sleeping "normies" of their day awoke to the reality that reconciliation with England was impossible (Adams called them "*honest and well-meaning tho weak and mistaken People*"). People learned that the English King was an unbending tyrant who planned to abuse his subjects to get every bit of their money to finance his empire.

Today, many Americans are awake to the realities of our current crisis with the fraudulent election of the current regime. We have been going along unaware of the corruption in our government, but with that election and a series of unjust events, as honest and well-meaning people, we see the once-cloaked evil in the open. We began noticing corrupt practices during the Plan-demic, but the Deep State has shown its ability to perform a banana republic coup in America. Our citizens must wake up to the reality as they did in Adams' day.

We have a two-tiered judicial system that punishes patriotic Americans and lets criminals go free. For instance, compare the uncharged **J-6** prisoners with the recent happenings with Hunter Biden. Dr. Anthony Fauci has received compensation for his participation in the Plan-demic with an appointment to the faculty of Georgetown University instead of jail time (or worse) for "crimes against humanity."

We are facing higher inflation, gas prices, and food prices. We face pressures regarding our health choices and the kind of vehicles we drive. There are rumors that governments are beginning to implement "Fifteen Minute Cities" all over the country to keep us at home and under control. Maybe that is also a reason for the inefficient Electric Vehicles.

Control was the real issue of the Plan-demic with its lockdowns, shots, masks, and distancing. The world's elites are not interested in your safety but in your compliance and are willing to force it out of you. As the former **Georgia Guidestones** indicated, there is talk of depopulating the world to 500,000 people. To show you how absurd that is, someone has calculated that the world's entire population could live and work within the borders of Texas, leaving the rest of the earth empty. Overpopulation is not dangerous, as we have heard for so long.

God's first command to Adam and Eve was, "**Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth" in Genesis 1:28 (NKJV). All of this overpopulation talk goes directly against God's commands. The current regime controlling the world wants the opposite of God's will. Who could be behind that philosophy, and how could people go along with it?**

Think about what we are doing today that opposes God and aids depopulation. First, there is infanticide. We are allowing and endorsing the murder of babies in the womb through "the woman's right to choose." "My body, my choice" is the mantra for abortion activists, but is disallowed for the COVID injections. Do you see the pattern?

Second, God tells us to honor the aged in passages like Leviticus 19:32 (NKJV), "You shall rise before the gray headed and honor the presence of an old man, and fear your God: I *am* the LORD." Many of

our governors and health officials have done the opposite. Instead of preserving life, these individuals put the virally-infected elderly in nursing homes where the residents were also infected, and many died.

Third, there is a push on the part of high-ranking governmental officials to remove the firearms we use for self-defense. God allows us to protect ourselves, and the second amendment protects that right. However, so many, even in "conservative" states, want you to be unable to defend yourself and your family. The Founders knew the importance of keeping and bearing arms in the face of tyrants. They lived it!

Fourth, we see the push to remove the male and female identities that God gave us. People are identifying as "binary" or are changing their sexes through surgery. Brainwashed parents even allow their immature children to make such a life-changing decision. Again, this goes against God's order. **Genesis 1:27** tells us that God made our parents "**male and female**." He intended that we behave accordingly. However, if someone surgically changes their gender, they are sterilized, unable to reproduce, and the world's population declines.

Fifth, the abomination of homosexuality is now considered normal, just as the Communists planned over a half-century ago. Homosexuals cannot reproduce, so the population declines. It is no wonder God condemns such behavior (see **Romans 1**). The alphabet community has tried to confiscate and misrepresent the rainbow. Their flag lacks one color. Through deception, Satan always tries to distort what is God's, including people.

When we look at history, we realize that the elites rule countries. People with money have influence and can control their political leaders. Allegedly, when **Theodore Roosevelt** told his parents he wanted to go into politics, they asked him, "Why would you be a politician when you can buy one?" George Soros has political power, not because he is one but owns politicians and pulls their strings. I wonder how many of our politicians have sold out their integrity and our nation. They swear an oath to defend the Constitution, but obviously, they "**lie and do not practice the truth**" (**1 John 1:6**).

In eighteenth-century America, we were blessed to have Christian elites leading our nation. Those great men did not buy politicians. They involved themselves in the task. These men followed the lead of the Pilgrims and pastors of the Great Awakening, who lived with a biblical worldview and put God at the center of every aspect of life. Many of these men were wealthy because they employed biblical principles in their businesses and were successful. They knew firsthand that God's words were factual and lived by them.

The independence and liberty those men provided us do not give us a license to depravity with God's approval. **Romans 6:1-2** (NKJV) reads:

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? ² Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

Our blessings and the privileges we call "rights" come from God. He expects us to exercise a faithful lifestyle filled with the fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23 (NKJV) is a vital passage to remember. It reads:

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such, there is no law.

John Adams wrote Abigail about the celebrations of the anniversary of our independence. Again, he said: It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shews, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this time forward forever more." On July 4, 1837, their son, John Q. Adams, in "An Oration Delivered Before the Inhabitants of the Town of Newburyport at their Request on the Sixty-First Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence," declared:

Why is it that, next to the birthday of the Saviour of the World, your most joyous and most venerated festival returns on this day. Is it not that, in the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior? That it forms a leading event in the Progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of the Redeemer's mission upon earth. That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity and gave to the world the first irrevocable pledge of the fulfillment of the prophecies announced directly from Heaven at the birth of the Saviour and predicted by the greatest of the Hebrew prophets 600 years before.

Most men who signed the Declaration of Independence and Constitution were Christians. Those that were not understood that biblical principles are practical and work. Our Creator knows what we need to live productive lives and prescribed it in His word. He helps us along the way using His Spirit and Providence.

God was with America because America was with God. Americans were and are imperfect. We did not and do not deserve God's blessings. In the past, we were largely a people of faith, and God rewards faith. America is not the New Israel, America is America, and Israel is Israel. God deals with each accordingly. Though not the chosen nation, we did choose God. **Isaiah 56:3-5** tells us that God blesses those who choose Him, making them better than sons and daughters.

Our forefathers and mothers studied and practiced the word of God. George Washington rose at 4 am to begin each day with God. JQA read five or six chapters of the Bible daily, often in other languages. Noah Webster purportedly could quote the entire Bible. Benjamin Rush understood that if we remove the Bible from public schools, crime, and delinquency would escalate.

Our national and spiritual ancestors resolved to obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29). They had "no King but King Jesus" to rule their lives. Even our Pledge of Allegiance includes "one nation under GOD."

During June and July, our church has been singing a hymn of prayer entitled "*God of Our Fathers*." The hymn was written by **Daniel C. Roberts** in 1876 when the US celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. It expresses a feeling of patriotism and honors the greatness of God.

I will not sing for you, but I would like to close by reading the lyrics.

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past, In this free land by Thee our lot is cast; Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay, Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense; Thy true religion in our hearts increase, Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace. Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way, Lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

We have the same solution to our issues of tyranny that our ancestors did with theirs. Revolution Author **Thomas Paine** stated, "Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it."

In the apostle's words, "And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart" (Galatians 6:9, NKJV).

Let's Keep The Light of Faithful Resolve Burning!

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