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Hey, Larken Rose here, and whether you completely despised Donald Trump or totally adored Donald Trump, you'll probably be offended by this video either way. Because the two sides, the sides that are going, 'Rah, rah, rah', put him on the throne. And the side that's going, 'anybody but him on the throne' are falling for the exact same game. And it's worth explaining the phenomenon and how, oddly enough, both sides are examples of — they're driven by good intentions but they're driven into playing an inherently, immoral and destructive game known as politics.

Now the thing that the leftist media just has complete tantrums about is the same thing that makes a lot of people like Donald Trump. It isn't principle because he doesn't have any. It isn't being pro-freedom because he isn't.

It's the fact that he doesn't appear as a normal politician. He speaks with disdain and disrespect towards a bunch of power-happy psychos. And lots of people like that and go 'Rah, rah, rah' about that, as well they should.

I think, accidentally, the best thing Trump is doing is tearing down the apparent respectability of the entire system. I don't at all mind that he talks down to them and constantly insults them. What's kind of hysterical is that anybody imagines that he's any different. He isn't. He's one more clown in the clown show.

But I wanted to at least give a little sympathy to the people falling for the Trump pitch because most of them are doing a common thing that a lot of people did. I remember doing it myself with Ross Perot. It shows how old I am. Basically imagining into his words things that I wanted him to believe in. Things, agendas that I wanted him to push, whether it matched or not.

So lots of people love Trump because they picture him as an outsider, which he's not. They picture him as antiestablishment, which he's not. And they hallucinate that he's in favor of freedom, which he isn't.

But the fact that he talks down to them and is insulting, and is sort of funny in the process, and you so rarely see that among politicians, that excites a bunch of people. Like, 'Yeah, you tell 'em!'. And they're not — they're just emotionally riled up because they're so sick of the lukewarm tomato soup BS crew — that both parties have cranked out as politicians for decades and decades and decades and decades — that by comparison, they think, here's Trump, he says it like it

Well, no, he doesn't, but he says it bluntly and insultingly. And that's refreshing to a lot of people, which is kind of weird and kind of understandable. Because the fake respectability that politics has received for so long, including in the mainstream or formerly mainstream media, is sickening. Like we're supposed to treat these people like, oh, there are lords and masters and they're above reproach. And no, there are a bunch of corrupt, lying psychos. And the fact

that Trump points that out and says so, gets a lot of people excited. And then they want to believe that he is fundamentally different, even though he's not and he's never given any reason to think he's fundamentally different. Because he isn't.

He openly adores literal dictators. He single-handedly pushed the worst federal gun control in my lifetime by telling the lawyers, not even going through Congress, something that conservatives would have flipped out if a Democrat president did this. Which is 'I'm just going to tell the lawyers rewrite the definition of machine gun and make it include bump stocks. So now I'm just making several hundred thousand Americans into felons overnight by changing the wording of a regulation. Because I said so.' That's what Trump did. And if Biden had done that, all of the conservatives would have flipped out. But their own favorite clown did it. So they're like, 'Well, he was bullied into it or he had to or it's not that serious. It's just bump stocks.' They make excuses for it, which is exactly what the other side does.

So if you're going 'Rah, rah, rah' for Trump, because you think he's anti-establishment, I commend you for being anti-establishment. I can't commend you for being very observant because he's not anti-establishment. He appointed all the same warmongers. He appointed all the same bankers, all the same parasitic control freaks. And he talks a little bit different.

Donald Trump IS professional wrestling. And he's literally been involved in professional wrestling. He was the thing that they brought in to get attention back on politics because nobody cared. You have a bunch of lukewarm, boring politicians on both sides. Nobody was paying attention. Nobody cared. Voter rolls were going way down. They needed to shake it up by fabricating a fake drama.

So in comes Donald Trump with all his bluster and bravado and arrogance — and just all the qualities — including the ones

that were sort of good? — which is that he dared to bash the system. I mean, he did it sort of incoherently and inconsistently. But at least he showed them, he showed them libtards by calling out how horrible they really are. Yeah, good for him.

Here's the problem. Literally, every single historical tyrant you can think of, rose to power by bashing an injustice that was there before them. And in almost every case, it was a real injustice. You know, Hitler was right to condemn the — like the Treaty of Versailles and the way Germany had been treated after World War I and stuff like that. That was a just complaint. And that's why people said, 'Rah, rah, rah, we want him'. They didn't say 'Rah, rah, rah, we want him to kill a bunch of people or, like, bring in fascism and violently dominate everyone'. They went 'Rah, rah, rah' because they were so sick of what was happening, that if somebody came along who pretended to be something different, they didn't bother looking closely at what he was actually proposing. Well, as long as he's against that thing that we all don't like.

And the same thing with the czars in Russia and the Soviet Union, and Mao and the feudal lords or whatever you want to call them in China, and the injustice there. We're going to bring in communism to save the day. Every single time tyrants come to power, it's because they're bashing, usually rightfully bashing, some past injustice, or present injustice when they're in the process of bashing it. That's all Trump did.

And people were so sick of the liberal collectivist establishment that they decided, well, the enemy of my enemy must be my friend. And they didn't bother. It was so much wishful thinking. They didn't bother looking closely and realize Trump is literally a New York liberal. And he's been pretty open about that. He's literally buddies with the Clintons and that whole crowd. And he knows how to put on a

show, à la professional wrestling, literally being involved in professional wrestling.

He knows how to put on a show to get people's attention by bashing his enemies — the ones he pretends are his enemies and totally aren't. 'Lock her up. Lock her up." Then the moment he's elected. 'Well, she's been through enough.' He never meant a word of it. He didn't care. He's buddies with them. He puts on a show and you fall for it because you're eager to have somebody in power who's against the establishment. So eager that you'll ignore everything he actually says and actually does.

And what he proposed and did was slight tinkerings with the authoritarian game, adding some here, pretending to oppose authoritarianism over here — to the point where people are going, 'Rah, rah, rah', he's putting tariffs on a bunch of things. 'Yeah, he's really sticking it to China.'

The US government can't tax China. Do you understand that? The US government cannot tax China.

If there is trade between people in China and the US, they can tax the transaction going to the American or coming from the American. Tariffs are taxes on Americans. Always. You can't tax foreign countries. Wnd you can say, 'Well, it's an import tax'. Yeah, who's importing it? The people here! You import something from China when you're already here. To stick a tax on that or to stick attacks on exports, you're taxing Americans.

So you had a bunch of people going, 'Rah, rah, rah, hooray for Trump because he's taxing us more'. And they didn't recognize that, because they were so into the mentality of 'at least he's anti-establishment and he's against China and he's against Russia and he's against the libtards'. And no, he's just one more person playing the game. And that's why Trump is Trump. It's because he is a very good bullshitter. Well, I

can't even say he's very good at that. He's just convincing enough to have gotten his way in a lot of different ways throughout his life, and to dupe a bunch of people into thinking he's pro-freedom.

What has he said that's pro-freedom? 'I believe in taking guns first and going through due process second.' What would your reaction have been if Biden said, 'Yeah, we're going to disarm you first and then maybe we'll do due process second'? All conservatives would have flipped out. Donald Trump said that, live and in front of a bunch of cameras. What was your excuse? And that was talking about the red flag laws where, 'Oh, some anonymous somebody said this person might be a danger. Let's send in armed thugs of the state to violently disarm that person and then later we'll go through due process and see if it was at all necessary or justified.' That was the context. That is 100% anti-constitution, anti-second amendment and prodictatorship. Where you start by forcibly disarming people. Later we'll decide whether we should have.

And so many conservatives go, 'Well, yeah, but the other side is worse'. And that's the problem. If you're not thinking in terms of principles, then all they have to do to get you to cheer for a warmongering power-happy psycho is run him against the slightly worse warmongering power-happy psycho. Or what appears to you as slightly worse. And that's why people fell for it.

And so the good news is that the enthusiasm behind Trump demonstrated sort of an inherent rebelliousness in Americans. They didn't want the established —the establishment. They didn't want the status quo. And here was a guy coming out and pretending to bash it. They were, 'Rah, rah, rah. Yeah, you tell him.' And there was so much wishful thinking. They didn't bother to look closely at what he was actually doing, which was just more of the same. It's more of what the puppets have always done. Authoritarian garbage.

Yeah, he kept the bombing going. He kept the war going. 'Well, he didn't start any new wars.' Like how far are you going to stretch to pretend he's a good person who believes in good things.

It's like, oh, well, yeah, that carjacker, he's still stealing cars, but he's only stealing cars from the same people he stole from before. So it's good. He's awesome. He's a great improvement. We support that carjacker. That's the equivalent of what Trump supporters did.

So for Trump supporters, I would say, don't give up your rebelliousness. Don't give up your resentment and hatred for the establishment and the status quo because they totally deserve it. Don't give up your resentment for the socialist BS that they're trying to impose on you. But instead of just letting your emotions carry you away, look who you're actually supporting. And ultimately, what that comes down to is, don't support anybody being on the throne.

If you believe in freedom, bickering over which jackboot's going to be on your throat or which clown is going to sit on the throne, that's not freedom. That's not in the direction of freedom at all. Your brain isn't even in the direction of freedom. If the entire discussion you can comprehend is which crook should we put on the throne? The only pro-freedom answer is 'none'. Don't have there be a throne.

And I know that's passed what most people want to think about right now. But in the case of Trump, he doesn't even do a… like Reagan did a really good job in his rhetoric of bashing authoritarianism, and coming right out and saying government is not the solution, government is the problem. And saying all sorts of cool things like that. And then whether he knew it ahead of time or he was sort of cajoled or tricked into it, he supported the insane evil completely unconstitutional war on drugs.

So gee whiz, one of the best spokespeople for limited government ever, to ever make it to the White House, increased authoritarian domination. And so did Trump. And so will everybody who ever gets there. Because you're not going to get anywhere near there if you actually, in principle, oppose authoritarianism.

And so it's sad to watch so many people's hopes and enthusiasm be thrown into the Trump camp as if that is the path to freedom. No, it's not. Look more carefully. Don't support what you blindly wish he was. See what he actually is. See what he's actually done. See what he's actually said. Watch what he did in his first for years in there. And then recognize that you're not pro-freedom.

And the fact that you're zealously against Biden, because he's a senile old socialist psychopath — good, keep being against that. And be against that in principle, which also means being against Trump, who also push the free handouts that caused the inflation. Yes. And he did it first. And he was smart enough to do it when he knew the inflation would hit after he wasn't there anymore. Trump did it, then Biden did it, then the inflation hit. Trump was pushing for bigger socialist handouts after that ridiculous debacle. He was also with his, with his lispy... he was pushing the same crap.

It was under his administration that that slimy little troll Fauci was pushing the propaganda. What did he do? Well, you half the time, sort of pretended, to almost be against it. That cannot be. You can't make it that easy to trick you into cheering for your own subjugation and victimization and then be baffled by why we aren't free.

We're not free because you fall for crap like that. You think Trump is pro-freedom when he hasn't even pretended to be. And Vivek Ramaswamy, however the hell you say his name, he's the next salesman of pro-freedom authoritarianism. He's actually way better at it than Trump as far as trying to express actual

principles, but he doesn't have any. He's absolutely a statist authoritarian. And he's doing the same thing of 'I'm going to bash certain forms of authoritarianism that I think you're against and you're opposed to'. So you go, 'Rah, rah, rah. Put him on the throne.' And then you're sort of going to downplay or ignore it when he mentions all the authoritarian domination that he's in favor of. You're bickering over what style of fascism you want imposed on you, instead of thinking from principle.

So as for your rah, rah, rah, anti-establishment — good, keep doing that. Only actually do it. Actually do it consistently. Not by supporting Trump, another puppet in the clown show, but by actually supporting principles that don't match what any politician is ever going to tell you.

If you're still looking for a political solution, you're doomed.

So having bashed the Trump supporters, let me focus on the political left and Trump derangement syndrome. And that totally is a thing where they completely flip out. And the irony is they're flipping out at somebody pretending to be anti-establishment who isn't. So both sides are pretending that, 'Ah, this is this radical, extreme change.' No, it isn't. Not in any way, shape or form was Trump radical on anything ever. He was this lukewarm, you know, finger to the wind, constantly seeing what would get him approval and him praise and him money. That's all he has ever cared about.

And anyone paying any attention should be able to see that Trump cares about Trump. Nope, that's the whole list. Just Trump. That's all he gives a shit about is himself, his glory, his power, his money. He makes that as obvious as anybody could possibly make it. Like, could the narcissism and ego be any more obvious and blatant than the way he openly talks in front of the cameras. And if you're trying to imagine him to be an advocate for principles instead of just an advocate for

Trump, that's just your imagination. That's just your wishful thinking.

But let's get back to the opponents of Trump who completely flip out at things that aren't even significantly different. And they have to do that. They have to have tantrums at Trump because what are they even going to pretend to be for? Biden? This senile old corrupt racist? By the way, there's way more of a basis to call Biden a racist than Trump. Like by a lot. If you look at the legislative history of what Biden has actually voted for and pushed, yeah, there's a whole lot more basis to actually call him racist than, 'oh, Trump has lots of white supporters. So he must be a white supremacist' or some stupid logic like that. I have plenty of complaints against Trump, but him being a racist is like the dumbest.

That's just the accusation they throw at everybody they don't like. 'You're racist and a fascist.' He is kind of a fascist and he openly adores dictators. So there's that. But the racist part, you just made up.

Biden, there's even less of an attempt to pretend he has any principles. He doesn't believe in anything except the political machine. It's all he's ever been. He's a cog in the wheel, in that giant machine of evil domination and parasitism known as the federal government. That is what Biden is. And they've gotten away with it so long that they take corruption... They're not even trying anymore. Like Hunter and the stuff he's been doing. Just so blatantly obvious. Like they didn't even try to hide it because they thought they'd get away with it. And they knew, probabl, that the media was going to cover for them, which they did. The media lied their asses off to try to cover corruption.

And that's the dead giveaway. Whether you're talking about the media or just leftists in general supporting Biden, if they can do things that obviously corrupt and evil. and you're going to look the other way because 'well that other guy is

even worse', not only are you just as bad as the people who fell for Trump's BS, you're the same thing. You're the exact same thing.

Trump supporters and Biden supporters are mirror images of each other. They're both supporting old crooked, slimy, corrupt, power-happy, half senile, slime balls. And their excuse is, 'Well, the other one is even worse'. Well gee, how did we get to a point where, like, two of the worst people in the world are the choices for president of the United States? And before that, it was Hillary versus Trump.

How do you think we get to the point where 300 and some million people are told to choose between the wicked witch of the west in Hillary and this egomaniac, arrogant lying piece of boop, Trump? Why is that what ended up? Because you keep falling for it. You keep voting for corrupt crooks and doing the comparison game and saying, well he's not as bad as the other guy, so I'm going to vote for him.

Now, what I'm actually scared of is someone coming along who doesn't suck at propaganda. And Trump is good at propaganda for an unthinking, emotion driven, angry audience that's just so mad at the left, which I can understand. You should be left. They're evil in doing evil things. But they're so emotionally angry that they're like, 'Anybody who's on our side say how bad they are. Good, you have our support'. Okay. Well, who is he? What does he believe? Well, he's a self-absorbed narcissist who doesn't believe in anything except himself. Yeah, that's going to turn out great.

But the liberals who are just constantly having tantrums, and like obsessed with January 6th. It's one of the funniest and saddest things I've ever seen. 'January 6th, oh we have to have hearings about it.' It was a tantrum. It was a frat party tantrum. And they're talking of this, 'Oh, this was an attempt to overthrow the government'. No, when there's an attempt to overthrow the government, you'll know it because they'll show

up with guns. And they won't stay between the velvet ropes. But they have to blow it ridiculously out of proportion. Because what else do they have? It's like, well, our guy is, we don't know what he thinks. You can't form a complete sentence. So there's a problem with that. And even before that, there was never a principle. It was just he, he changed his positions on everything. You can go back and see the videos of Biden floundering on literally every single thing — because he's going to say whatever he thinks will get him votes and get him public support because that's what politicians do, including Trump.

So the political left, all they have is hatred of Trump. That's all they have to hang on to. And it's not like they know that on a conscious level. But, subconsciously, none of them are like Biden, he's so brave and principled and he really cares. Nobody believes that. Nobody believes that. Biden is never... And same thing with Kamala, that babbling, cackling imbecile. Nobody believes she gives a crap about anybody but herself. Like, they're not even putting up good actors in this puppet show anymore. And some people are still falling for it. Thankfully a lot of people aren't.

Now let me try to give a little bit more credit to the political left, which, man, that takes a serious effort sometimes. But they look at Trump and say, 'Oh, he's going to start World War III'. It's like, well, we're on the way to World War III and who's is in the White House now? When people are that scared — like when people are told over and over again, he's a racist and a fascist and all these horrible things and they don't bother to check — you can see the outcome. There's tons of conservative pundits who do interviews with angry liberals and go like, 'Okay, can you give me example of his racism?'. Dead silence. No example. They have no idea. They just heard other people say it about them. And that's been true of the political left forever. And now they throw the label, racist and fascist at everybody. I

mean, look at Trudeau up in Canada, which is just laughably stupid. 'So, you don't like us destroying your lives? Well then you're misogynist and a racist and fascist' to the truckers. What are you talking about? We just didn't want you ruining our livelihoods. How did that get — and how did like homophobe get in there? Like, yeah, you must hate gay people because you want to earn a living. Okay. Not sure how many flying leaps of logic it takes to get that from there to there.

But they've become so desperate it's ridiculous. All they have is throwing the labels. The thing is their followers believe it. When they get terrified. And so you get ridiculous spectacles like the Antifa, which is short for anti-fascist, which is kind of ironic because they're the most fascist movement there is in this country. Literally, 'we're going to violently' — they use the exact tactics of Hitler's brown shirts. 'We're going to violently attack people, try to silence anybody who disagrees with us and label them as horrible evil people'. It's just ridiculous because they don't think in principles either.

What I would really ask people to do, and I know it's a big ask because it requires people turning down their fricking emotions long enough to think, be clear in your own head about what it is that you actually want. What do you actually want? If policy were up to you. You're the king on the throne now and they decided, yeah, these candidates are all horrible. They're taking you and you're putting on the throne. You can do whatever you want. What are you going to do? Is it freedom? Is it using the violence of the state to control people and limit what they can say and do? Is it using the violence of the state to rob everybody to fund a welfare state or to fund a huge military and a police force?

Whatever you want to do to the people, if you had the power, that's what they're going to do to you. Because you're not going to be the one on the throne. It's going to be somebody

else. If you supported having a throne, and the amount of power that you would have used on people, and then it gets used on you and you complain about it, you're a giant freaking hypocrite. If you're a Republican, you're a giant freaking hypocrite. If you're a Democrat, you're a giant freaking hypocrite. Because what every single statist does is say, 'I want government force used to impose my values and my preferences and serve my interests by way of government power'. Then the next day they're saying, 'Hey, no fair, they're using government power to force their interests and their priorities and their values and their preferences on to me'. Well, gee frickin' whiz, that's what the game is, the game that you agreed to, the game that you supported.

And this is a point I've made before. I'll end on this. There is no such thing as political corruption, or I should say it's redundant. Political corruption is redundant. There isn't any other kind of politics.

The people who use the violence of government and call it politics to get what they want at the expense of other people's freedom and prosperity, they call it "a representative republic doing the will of the people". And the people on the losing end who say, 'Hey, that's not what I wanted' and 'You're using their violence against my interests and my values. That's corruption!'. They're the ones who are right.

The fact that you might be the recipient, the beneficiary, from corruption doesn't make it not corruption. Corruption is all politics and government will ever be. It's all it can ever be.

Fricking George Washington said it. Government is not reason. It is not eloquence. It is force.

When you try to vote a person in, it's because you want them to use force to force your agenda and your preferences onto

the rest of the world. And then you act all shocked and offended when they do the same thing to you. And if you win, you go, 'Yeah, we'll show them. We'll forcibly control them'. A few years later, they win and you're going, 'Hey, they're forcibly controlling us'. Shut up. Until you advocate freedom for everybody, just shut the hell up.

If you're supporting Trump, you're supporting authoritarian mass extortion and domination. If you're supporting Biden, you're supporting mass authoritarian extortion and domination.

If you're on the losing end of the game, tough crap, you deserve it because you legitimized that game. You said it was okay. You said you wanted that. You just wanted the violence used in a different direction so that you'd win and they would lose, instead of them winning and you losing.

The thing is, there's only one way for humanity to win, which is stop advocating violent authoritarian domination. And that means do not support Trump. Do not support Biden. Do not support Vivek or DeSantis or any other clown that says, 'If you give me power, I will do the right thing with it'. No, they won't ever. Have they ever? No. And you can point to a thing. 'Well, he did slightly less abuse'. Oh, goody. We got a slave master who only whips us half as much as the slave master before. Is that any closer to freedom? No. On a practical level. Okay, we're suffering a little bit less. Rah, rah, rah. That doesn't make you free. Just means your master is a little bit nicer to you.

And this is something that a lot of people, Trump supporters, Biden supporters, everybody else, they need to recognize that their own goodness is being used to trick them into supporting evil with them as the victim of it. You are supporting your own extortion and subjugation every time you vote, every time you rah, rah, rah, for any political candidate. I don't care what party. And it's really frustrating to watch.

Once you're outside of the game and you recognize how it works, it's frustrating to watch a bunch of well-intentioned people on both sides, screaming at the top of their lungs how much their guy needs to wield basically unlimited power to boss people around and take their stuff. And they don't get that the politicians are just sitting back, they're laughing their asses off, probably hanging out and having parties together like Trump and the Clintons used to. They don't care. They're both getting your money. They're both controlling you while you bicker and hate each other.

And if you actually want something different, Trump isn't it. Biden certainly isn't it. If you actually want something different, you have to be able to comprehend something different than bickering over which clown is going to be on the throne for the next how many years.

So yeah, if you want freedom, you have to change what's inside your own head. Because if you're playing politics, you don't even want freedom. You're not even advocating freedom yourself. And if you expect government to advocate freedom when none of the people voting for it, including you, believe in freedom, you're going to be waiting a while — like forever.

So I guess that's about it. By the way, if you want sort of a rude slap in the face, fun allegory, fun and disturbing and traumatic allegory of how the political system actually works and what people are falling for, I highly recommend you watch **The Jones Plantation** at jonesplantationfilm.com.

I'm not saying either of you are bad people. I mean, yeah, there's some bad people out there. Most Republicans, most Democrats, they mean well. They think they're doing the right thing and they're empowering evil in the process without even knowing it.

So my question to you is, do you care enough to pause long enough to reexamine your own assumptions and your own words

and your own beliefs and your own actions to see if you might be accidentally empowering evil? Because you are.

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In a few days it will be tax day again, and since a lot of people are having a tough time financially these days, myself included, I'm worried that a lot of you may not be in a mood to consider and support the important needs of "Uncle Sam" (which is a strange and creepy propaganda euphemism that we use to describe a bunch of rich and powerful political parasites).

So I'm making this video as a sort of pep talk to encourage you to do your civic duty and honor your obligation to support this great country of ours and and pay your fair share of the costs of society.

Now let's be clear about our terms here. When I talk about this "country" and "society", obviously I'm not actually talking about you or your neighbors or all the other taxpayers.

Because if I was, I would be encouraging you to give money to yourself — which would be both schizophrenic and pointless.

When I speak of your obligation to society, in your country, and whenever the media speaks of such things, we're talking about you, the productive people, giving a hefty chunk of what you earn, what you produce, to a group of a few hundred self-serving, power-happy politicians in DC.

You see, you helping the economy by spending your own money on

things you choose to buy, or voluntarily investing your money in various endeavors, or actually helping in your own community, giving to individuals and charities or patronizing local businesses, or running a business yourself and thus creating jobs yourself — none of those make you a good subject, I mean citizen.

No, supporting your country and paying your fair share of the costs of society refers only to all of the productive people, including you, handing over trillions and trillions and trillions of dollars to a tiny group of a few hundred politicians off in some grandiose halls somewhere.

Now you might wonder why that is. It's because government does glorious, benevolent, essential things with your money, things that you're far too selfish, stupid and short sighted to do on your own. So your betters, your political masters, need to spend your money for you.

Now maybe you think I'm talking about maintaining the roads or something like that. Well, no, things that might actually benefit you in some way make up only a tiny fraction of what the politicians steal from you.

For example, out of a federal budget pushing \$6 trillion, only about 1% has anything to do with maintaining and fixing highways and bridges and so on. So if that's what this fair share thing was all about — funding things that might actually benefit us mere peasants — then, even with the inefficient, corrupt, mangled government version of those services, we could still start by all getting a 99% tax cut.

So no, the reason you should proudly and faithfully pay your taxes and cough up all that money has nothing to do with benefiting you or the mere peasants. Your duty to society isn't about enriching and empowering the normal people, it's about enriching and empowering the ruling class because, duh, if it was about empowering the normal people, the best way to

do that is let all the normal people, including you, keep and spend their own money.

But no, all of the actually honest, productive, decent people are morally and legally obligated to hand over trillions and trillions of dollars to a tiny group of political parasites.

For what purpose, you might ask? Well, I don't want to get bogged down in all the exact numbers. I mean, you can look them up in the federal budget, if you wish.

But I'll give a few of the important things that need your support, things that should fill you with a deep feeling of obligation, things that you should be happy and eager to fund.

As one example, occasionally the politicians just directly take your money, by way of taxes, and then through bailouts, give incomprehensible sums to the richest individuals and businesses in the world, including gigantic banks and massive corporations — because they're too big to fail, you see.

You're not too big to fail, by the way. If you fail, become broke and homeless and whatever, tough luck. But if the politician billionaire buddies and the massive corporations have trouble, even if it's of their own making, well, then it's your civic duty to bail them out — whether you want to or not, and whether you can afford to or not.

Now, they used to be a little more subtle about the ways they would take your money and funnel it to the ultra wealthy, but recently they figured out that they can just do it directly, right out in the open, right in front of your face, take it from you and give it to giant banks and corporations, and you'll just damn well put up with it.

You might threaten to vote for somebody else in a few years, but since Democrats and Republicans are both doing this, that makes no difference.

Next, you should definitely feel an obligation to pay your fair share so that the US government can give what you earn to a bunch of foreign governments too. Billions to Afghanistan, billions to Israel. Now many billions to Ukraine. And so on and so on.

Now, they described this as giving aid to those countries. But of course, what they're actually doing is giving money to the ruling classes of those countries, not to the rabble over there.

In other words, you're paying taxes to a bunch of foreign governments by way of the American Government, whether you like it or not. And unless you're some greedy, selfish creep, you will proudly go along with that and continue to feel a profound duty to have the fruits of your labor funneled off to countless political parasites, not just in the US but all over the world.

There are so many other important things that you should be proud to fund by way of your taxes such as Ponzi schemes disguised as retirement plans, which give absolutely no guarantee that you'll ever receive a dime no matter how many thousands of dollars you've paid into the system over time.

Because the system contains exactly zero dollars of what you were forced to pay before. There is no account with money in it, and there never was. It was just a direct transfer payment taken from you and given to someone else.

And if that pyramid scheme happens to collapse before it's time for you to receive the loot stolen from the next generation, well, sucks to be you.

But if you are a good, honest American, you better not doubt for a moment your obligation to continue to fund all of that. And if you think for some reason that you should be allowed to just save for your own retirement instead, without paying into or receiving anything out of the political Ponzi schemes, well, obviously you're just an unpatriotic, criminal terrorist.

Now, one of the other things that should make you feel all warm and fuzzy about paying your taxes is the astronomical sums of money spent on the US war machine to engage in military occupation and blatant war mongering all over the world. Perpetually.

Now, I won't even begin to try to cover all the ridiculous expenditures that the US military engages in. But you can look them up yourself. And I'll give one example.

The US military's involvement in Afghanistan for 20 years cost around \$300 million a day. Every day. For 20 years.

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And that's just Afghanistan.

That's not the whole military budget. Nowhere near.

Now, are you a good American who will gladly forego all the things that you might have been able to provide for your own family in order to fund that, whether you wanted it or not?

Also, you need to pay your fair share so that the Pentagon, basically the clubhouse of the biggest gang of psychotic warmongers in history, can spend a couple trillion dollars on — well, you don't get to know what they're spending it on.

Because on top of the massive military spending that we're allowed to know about, not only is another huge portion of their budget secret, but more than once, the bureaucrats at the Pentagon have just declared that they lost a couple trillion dollars and don't know where it went.

Among our population in the US of around 330 million people, that averages out to well over \$6000 for every man, woman and child in the country that the Pentagon just lost.

Twice.

One of those \$2 trillion "oopsies" was announced the day before 9/11, 2001.

Oops, don't know where it went, but don't you worry, because wherever that money went, it was definitely, definitely more important than you being able to feed your own family and pay your own bills, obviously.

And this definitely should not make you, for a moment, think that you're not obligated to hand over promptly and happily whatever amount, whatever chunk of what you earn that the politicians decide they want at any given moment.

And that's the main message I wanted to impress on you today.

No matter how corrupt and wasteful, no matter how counterproductive, or downright insane, or just flat out evil, the actions of the US government become, never should you doubt your obligation to hand over as much money as the political parasites demand.

Don't you dare be one of those greedy "tax cheats" who starts to think that maybe handing over the fruits of your labor to the worst people in the world isn't actually good, isn't actually useful, doesn't actually help society or the country — and only serves, enriches and empowers crooks, thieves, warmongers and psychopaths.

No, you just do as you're told. You give your masters whatever they demand. And you do it with a smile on your face and pride in your heart, knowing that you are among that huge number of loyal, obedient subjects who have, throughout history, faithfully funded and empowered every authoritarian regime and all of the oppression and injustice that they have inflicted upon humanity.

You should wear your unquestioning obedience and eagerness to

pay tribute to your political masters as a badge of honor and indication of how morally superior you are, and you should resent and hate anyone who suggests that maybe we don't have an obligation to fund political lunacy.

That enriching and empowering megalomaniacs and psychopaths maybe is not useful or good for humanity And you should definitely despise anyone who does anything to try to keep what they earn, tries to control their own money and tries to avoid being robbed to support the heinous anti-human abomination that is "government".

So this tax day, be sure to pay your fair share and do it with pride in your heart and a smile on your face.

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That question is a lot more important than most people assume, and the recent ridiculous spectacle surrounding Covid-19 is a shining example of that.

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Larken Rose, Not Just Another Angry White Guy: "I Want a Society With No Masters and No Slaves"

Another Angry White Guy?

by <u>Larken Rose</u> June 3, 2020

"So you may be wondering which side am I on regarding these protests or riots or police actions or whatever.

Well, I already told you I am on the side of freedom and justice. That means I am on the side of the innocent victim. Always. And I am against the aggressors. Always.

That means that when badge-wearing thugs are harassing, intimidating, assaulting and murdering nonviolent people, I am on the side of the victims, not the aggressors. It also means that when looters and vandals are stealing or destroying private property, I am still on the side of the victims not the thugs and thieves.

Right now a lot of people seem to be arguing over which set of aggressors and thugs they should be cheering for, which is idiotic. And it's exactly what the ruling class wants to see."

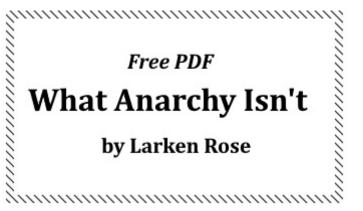
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"Let me finish this up by saying that, in addition to being a white armed American, I'm also an anarchist. And contrary to the BS that you'll hear in the mainstream media, no that does not mean that I smash windows and throw molotov cocktails around.

It means that I think that you own yourself. And that you do not need, and should not have, any ruler stealing the fruits of your labor or controlling your life. It means that I think that **you** and everyone else should be free – free from all thugs and thieves including the ones that wear uniforms and call their thuggery and their thievery "law".

It means that I want a society with no masters and no slaves."

Just some angry, armed white guy who has some things to say about police abuse, protests, riots, and freedom.



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by <u>Larken Rose</u> May 22, 2020

You can see that something is horribly wrong with the world.

And you might feel like you're the only one who sees it.

But you're not.

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Shutdowns: Pointless, Stupid and Evil

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by <u>Larken Rose</u> May 3, 2020

No, I'm not going to be polite or gentle when so many good people are being tricked into cooperating with widespread, devastatingly destructive "solutions" to a problem that only ever threatened a tiny percentage of the population (which can be protected separately).

Feel free to copy and spread this video, since YouTube is likely to take it down if any of their censors notice it not parroting the idiotic, fear-driven party line.

[TCTL editor's note: YouTube did take it down after 50,000 views.]

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Voluntaryism: Candles in the Dark

Larken Rose introduces conversation points designed to teach voluntaryists/anarchists how to be far more effective in

talking to their statist friends, co-workers, family members, etc., using techniques that, by taking into account the quirks and complexities of human psychology, give a far better chance of getting others to understand and accept the concepts of self-ownership, non-aggression, and a stateless society.

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