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12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

13 Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following.

14 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.

Ps 48:12-14



Point #1

What is a Worldview and why is it important?

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Worldview

What is it? How you see the world.

Biblical Worldview

- God IS!
- God is creator of all things.
- God is ultimate Lawgiver and Lord over all
- Man is sinful and can't be trusted. Needs a redeemer.
- Purpose of Civil
 Government is the good of
 mankind

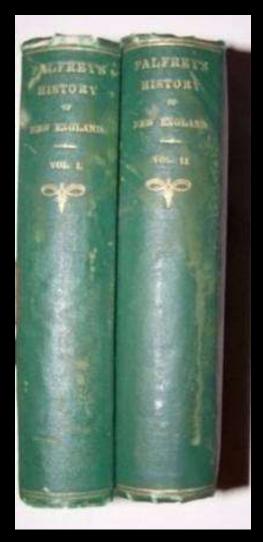


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Secular Worldview

- God ISN'T
- Man is a victim of his circumstances
- Man is perfectible
- Purpose of Government is to Rule, the Purpose is Power





"The Puritan searched the Bible, not only for principles and rules, but for mandates - and, when he could find none of these, for analogies - to guide him in precise arrangements of public administration, and in the minutest points of individual conduct."

- John Palfrey, History of New England, 1859

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.



America was built on a Biblical Worldview!

There is a sovereign God who created man, the world and everything.

The Bible is God's Word.

God's Word is TRUTH!

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God's Separation of Powers



- 1. Self Government
- 2. Family Government
- 3. Church Government
- 4. Civil Government

Point #2

What is the purpose of Civil Government?

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The will of God for government is to punish the evil and protect the good that we may live aceably in all godliness.

Remember!

Government is for the good of man.

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Point #3

What is the Constitution

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If there is no "divine right of kings" and since all men are created equal...



Who has the right to rule?

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We the people...Constitute

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give legal or constitutional form to (an institution); establish by law.

synonyms: inaugurate - establish - initiate - found - create - set up -
start - form - organize - develop - commission - charter - invest - appoint - install -
empower
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- a limited civil government,
- delegating few and defined powers to that government of our creation
- and pledge to submit to the proper...rule of law.

We are not subjecting ourselves to the unlimited rule of man/men.

Point #4

What is the difference between the Declaration and Constitution?

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Declaration and Constitution

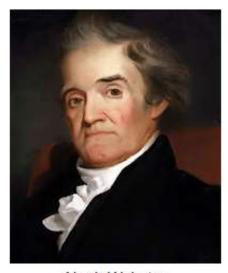
The **Declaration of Independence** was our *birth certificate*, our *statement of faith* and our *mission statement*.

"they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men" The **Constitution** was our owner's manual.

The states designed a limited general government and delegated FEW powers that were SPECIFICALLY given by the states.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the poid these truths

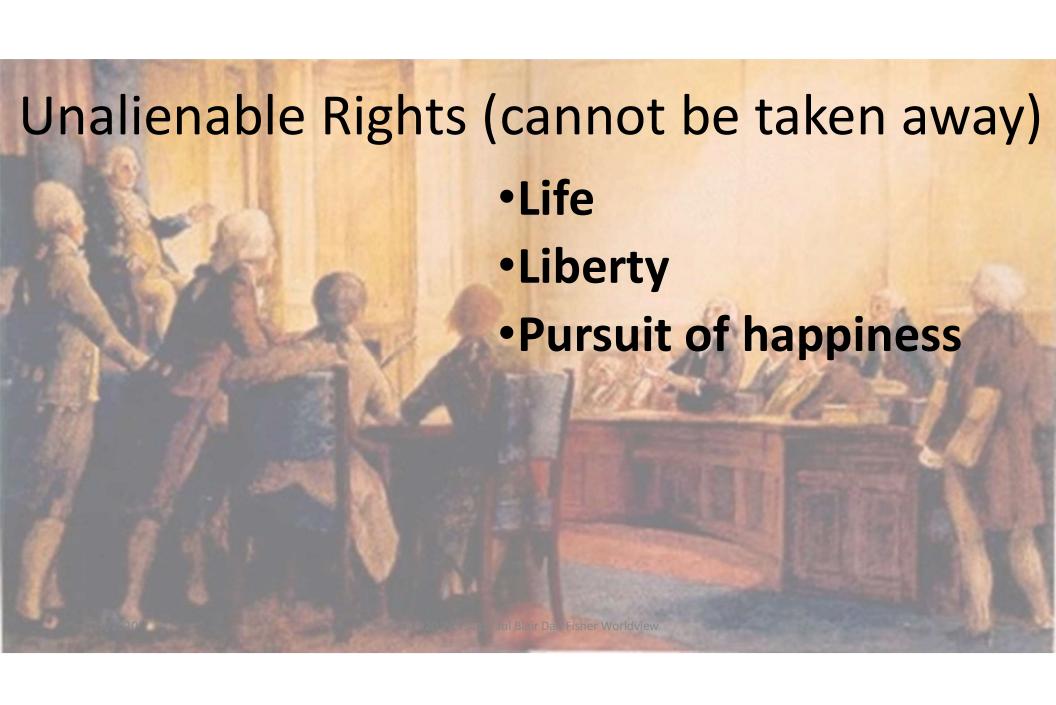
Webster's 1828 Dictionary



Noah Webster

Unalienable

UNA'LIENABLE, adjective Not alienable; that cannot be alienated; that may not be transferred; as unalienable rights.



For he has so intimately connected, so inseparably interwoven the laws of eternal justice with the happiness of each individual, that the latter cannot be attained but by observing the former; and, if the former be punctually obeyed, it cannot but induce the latter. In consequence of which mutual connection of justice and human felicity (happiness), he has not perplexed the law of nature with a multitude of abstracted rules and precepts, referring merely to the fitness or unfitness of things, as some have vainly surmised; but has graciously reduced the rule of obedience to this one paternal precept, "that man should pursue his own true and substantial happiness." This is the foundation of what we call ethics, or natural law.

(Blackstone; 1, 2)

Statistics from the Hunan China Corona Virus

- Oklahoma has had 2,357 citizens diagnosed with Covid-19. Of those, 1462 have recovered. (3,957,000 Population of Oklahoma)
- We have had 136 deaths in Oklahoma from Covid-19. Of those, the average age of death is 73.7.
- Only 5 have died that were under the age of 38 and all of those had underlying health issues.
- .057 of those diagnosed die
- 80% have little or no symptoms
- As of Friday (4/17), 236 people are in Oklahoma hospitals. Average age of those hospitalized is 65.2.
 - 3,457 hospitalizations of common flu
 - 84 deaths from common flu

Other Statistics

- 80,000 died from the flu in 2017
- 40,000 die annually from car accidents
- 647,000 die annually from heart disease (one every 37 seconds)
- 88,000 die annually from alcohol
- 606,880 die annually from cancer
- 44,965 die annually from suicide (1 in 5 from unemployment)
- 1 M +/- die annually from abortion (5,000 in Oklahoma)

What to do:

- 1. Live life to the Glory of God
 - Ecclesiastes 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.
- 2. Live each day as if it was all you had
 - Matt 6:34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.
- 3. Are you ready?