



Self-governance is historically _____ and _____.

Benjamin Franklin, April 1787: "Only a _____ people are capable of freedom. As nations become corrupt and vicious, they have more need of _____."

Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the _____ of the _____,

The Constitution is simply the _____ of the principles of the _____ into _____.

Abraham called the Declaration of Independence the _____ and the Constitution the _____ around it.

John Adams, "A Defense of the Constitutions of Government of the United States of America":

"To expect self-denial from men, when they have a majority in their favor, and consequently power to gratify themselves, is to disbelieve all history and universal experience; it is to disbelieve Revelation and the Word of God, which informs us, the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. ... such exalted virtue never yet existed in any large body of men and lasted long; ... There is no man so blind as not to see, that to talk of founding a government upon a supposition that nations and great bodies of men, left to themselves, will practice a course of self-denial, is either to babble like a new-born infant, or to deceive like an unprincipled impostor."

Federalism: a system of government in which _____ different levels of government govern the _____ area/people. The _____ government is generally responsible for larger territorial and foreign issues while the State governments govern the issues of local concern. Additionally, the individual states also retain their _____ from one another so that the _____ distinctives of one state are _____ by the cultural distinctives of the others.

In this way, the cultural/philosophical/religious beliefs of the citizens of the States/regions are protected from a _____ overreaching _____ government. In this type of government, both the Federal government and the State governments have the power to make laws and both retain a certain level of _____.

Keep phrases in the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution:

"We the _____":

"of the _____ States":

"in Order to form a more perfect _____":

"establish _____":

"insure _____":

"provide for the common _____":

"promote the _____":

"_____ the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity":