

POLITICS, GOVERNMENT, AND FREEDOM FACT SHEET

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This fact sheet and guide is provided in conversational format for the purposes of representing varying perspectives with hopes of assisting everyone with honest reasoning so we all get closer in proximity to the Absolute Truth (one of the many names of GOD).

Socialist: I see some have acquired great wealth and many through unjust means which the government facilitated with the Headright System and Homesteaders provisions prior to amending the Constitution. So, it seems people who arrived, warred with and displaced natives, and then redistributed the land amongst themselves then granted even more land to each other and money too for trafficking in people who were later freed from that but without compensation. Potentially, the initial value of each person was \$50,000 which the government paid to the private sector for facilitating the transportation of labor from foreign shores to America. So, that \$50,000 was used to care for the trafficked people by providing work, housing, food, and very basic necessities. Then as now, the government partners with private sector providers and pays those providers who often are still trafficking people for labor (and sex at times) while claiming the sole compensation for those "wards" is housing, food, and very basic necessities sometimes on a debt peonage basis. So, I'm suggesting instead of continuing with this pattern we make the government responsible for all of it and not trust the private sector. The government is fully equipped or can be to provide work, housing, food, and very basic necessities to those who can't find employment in the private sector.

Communist: I agree with Socialist, but, I believe we should share equally all of our resources with each other. And, I want to restrict freedom by limiting how many children any family can have and have licensing requirements somewhat like in "Demolition Man" starring Wesley Snipes and Sylvester Stallone. Anyone who doesn't obey will be driven underground like Denis Leary as "Friendly" in "Demolition Man". But, we'll all share equally and there will be no hierarchy nor oligarchy. Everyone is in a way "Big Brother" and we are our "brother's keepers" like in China.

Free Market Capitalist: It's beyond the statute of limitations for any compensation to descendants of those who were legally trafficked given the laws at the time and ex post facto bars recovery from the private sector. The government is completely funded by taxes from private sector. So, where the government does pay restitution to victims of government malfeasance as a result of court orders at times, that's private sector money from taxes being used to cover restitution because the government represents the people and the people agree to the Constitution, laws, and social contract, and even when the government violates said laws/regulations we all pay because we choose our representatives and therefore are too responsible so our taxes compensate when our representatives whom we've selected are derelict in their duty in some way. And, the current laws and enforcement have human traffickers, who mislead the government who trusts everyone is acting in good faith until enough evidence is presented for probable cause for a warrant, that offer to take in undocumented immigrants, wards of the state (minorities based on age or disability), and provide basic needs and services at the lowest cost with greatest benefit to the taxpayers who are ultimately covering the costs of caring for those individuals. And, the government trusts them until someone reports it, but, as a result of the history, including oral

histories/experiential histories, as well as who is funding it still, results in people not reporting and living in fear until they feel homicide is justifiable and riots too though objectively we reasonably believe crimes should be reported to law enforcement and you can find many examples of human traffickers being shut down by effective investigative reporting, consumer reports, and law enforcement at <http://www.beyondbusiness.net/youarenext.htm>. And, what makes America great is that the Constitution encourages everyone to participate, exercise free speech, free expression, and even do our civic duties to make sure we're all free who act in good faith. So, right now, you don't have to work and can rely solely on charity or the "kindness of strangers" in America. And, for many, that means living with family (often parents) and doing whatever you want as long as you at least try to do something productive even if finding a good job fit is difficult and your family can afford to give you the luxury of finding a job that suits you or will hire you depending on your own history, qualifications, skills, and education. But, if your parents can't provide that for you or choose not to do so like Warren Buffett, then once you are 18, you can pursue academic goals, get a job, or rely on charity which can sometimes be a front for human trafficking until reported to the proper authorities. And, if your parents are reported they may remain free if gainfully employed and you may be taken into the system which may involve placement with human traffickers until those traffickers are effectively reported to law enforcement. And, social services is now partnering with private sector placement agencies and is even further removed from any ability to provide oversight or direct regulation where that is their duty. So, social services isn't where to report to but many believe it is where to report the crimes and they don't provide regulation beyond responding to reports they believe have sufficient evidence and when so they are tasked with reporting to law enforcement but do not always do that sometimes as a result of corruption or kickback schemes with the private providers. But, that's not everyone's fault in the US. That's not my fault and likely not your fault. In fact, I believe we're all in agreement and the government is too, if you look at the programs closed that have been effectively exposed/reported, that we don't agree with human trafficking and want it stopped and actively stop it, both private sector churches and organizations like COPE Ministries and HEAL Mission and the government itself. But, it's totally understandable why some would have serious trust issues given their often unjustly imposed ignorance and horrific mistreatment in systems of care as a result of being orphaned, abandoned, discarded, or otherwise made a ward of the state. Now, the government did provide public housing for free, but, people complained and said that amounted to segregation and so switched to a Section 8 Voucher system to encourage integration. But, the voucher system requires that private sector housing providers approve of the application to rent even if the government is covering the rent or a portion of it. And, housing providers can reject applicants on any number of grounds. So, that leaves trying to find someone who will take a chance on an orphan or ward and that's usually segregated congregate care and we don't want them to traffick people and we'll stop it if you tell us, the proof is in headlines around the country often shared at <http://www.twitter.com/heal247> daily. So, the government still tries to please everyone and do the right thing as reasonably and objectively as possible with the Constitution as the basis of recognizing rights and responsibilities. But, in a socialist or communist system, you'd have less freedom and be forced to work and no one forces you to work in America, we just say if you're independently wealthy that's awesome and if you are not then you'll have to rely on charity if unable or unwilling to work. So, in other words, "Beggars can't be choosers".

Minister Angela Smith: I love freedom and understand that the USA is the freest country in the world while also understanding and believing we need victims to show the courage of our

convictions, report crimes, and trust the government enough to enforce the laws. And, that may mean reporting corrupt officials to whomever oversees that which is often the Department of Justice: Civil Rights Division. So, when I recommend you file consumer complaints with the attorney general or tips to the FBI, that's the best way to stop human traffickers unless you wish to resort to vigilantism and believe homicide would be justifiable if people understood your perspective, and if you do that you will end up like Jesus and most likely sentenced to prison or death for homicide even if you felt it was justified. So, you are assuming the risk of prison or death if you choose to take the law into your own hands and do not trust the government enough to report in a timely fashion and see if justice will be done. There's a great record of the government shutting down human trafficking storefronts of all kinds including those in segregated congregate care. And, corrupt officials get prosecuted and sentenced too. So, please try to remember the government is as fallible as the rest of society, but, like the rest of society, mostly of good faith and just trying to do their jobs to the best of their ability.

Socialist: Cost of living out of \$50,000 at the time per person that would cover more than a lifetime of room and board at the time. Any funds that could reasonably be deducted from that per person and the remaining after the Emancipation Proclamation should go to the freed people and/or their descendants with interest.

Free Market Capitalist: Okay, say we do that and all agree the government pays all descendants of freed persons even \$25,000 at standard APR for the time or adjusted for changing times. Do you want to have an increase in your taxes to cover that expense? Should I just come take money from you and your family to give to the descendants of freed persons in compensation? Now, if I do that, can you pay back all the money that's been put into social services, social welfare, food stamps, Section 8, and other remedies taxpayers have approved to address poverty? If we're looking to totally even the playing field solely based on restitution where it is granted some is due in a court of law, how much was the average annual wage in 1820 in US? \$1,149. So, how many years did your specific ancestors work prior to being freed? According to modern data, some children are still being trafficked for sex or labor as young as 2 years old. Many didn't make it past age 14 and often not past age 22 (or 21.4 years depending on source). So, maybe 20 years. So, if generalizing, maybe around \$25,000 would be appropriate compensation depending on case specifics. But, the statute of limitations has run out although the reparations for the Japanese Internment was arguably outside the statute of limitations too and an act of Congress that was approved by President Ronald Reagan. However, I'd say we've put more money into addressing poverty than would be recovered in a suit for reparations and that where the government has subsequently done wrong, victims, including those convicted of crime, are compensated for that with tax dollars. Craig Coley who spent 39 years in prison and was later exonerated sued and received \$21 million for his pain and suffering. And, that's one guy. Source: <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-california-pardon/california-man-who-spent-39-years-in-prison-gets-21-million-for-wrongful-conviction-idUSKCN1QD0RQ> So, can you try to have a little faith in the government and that they are trying but really imperfect and require we provide effective oversight and hold them accountable too? Also, the United States government spends an average of \$11,392 per public school student per year for public education. The State of New York pays \$21,206 per public school student annually. And, that's just funding public education for everyone with tax dollars from the private sector. So, looking at in kind restitution in full with just one year of public education where such was denied to trafficked persons prior to the Emancipation Proclamation. But,

many taxpayers look for ways to donate to tax-deductible charities to avoid paying taxes and make sure the money goes where they feel it will do the most good. And, often charities that support freedom and independent living receive funding or should and everyone should exercise more due diligence when giving to charities of any sort to avoid donating to a human trafficking front that has not yet been reported because their wards live in fear and often suffer Stockholm Syndrome or excessive undue influence and coercion.

Socialist: We want to do to you what your forefathers did to the American Indians. We want to take all of your property and redistribute based on whom we feel merits holding those assets. We want everyone to work for the government and the government to in turn work for everyone.

Free Market Capitalist: Do you see the hypocrisy of your own position? On the one hand, you are claiming that those who built wealth by or through conquest and legally based on the laws of the time should now allow you to do the same without a violent coup but under some coercion or threats of sorts to just do it because you say it is more fair or at least as fair as our forefathers before we made changes to the law which were achieved through civic action and popular demand. So, in changing hearts and minds, the law is on the side of freedom and human trafficking is now a crime punishable by slavery in prison. And, on the other hand you are saying that what our forefathers did was wrong, which the law now concurs, but, it's okay if you do it because you feel you are justified where you argue our forefathers weren't justified and that's the difference which suggests intellectual dishonesty if considering everything in context.

Minister Angela Smith: I still prefer freedom. And, I tend to agree with Free Market Capitalist. But, I also recognize that the economy itself was arguably inflated or based on arbitrary valuations regarding currency of any sort (including precious metals) and that the government issues money and could therefore pay for itself without collecting taxes of any sort and like in the game of Monopoly start everyone out with maybe at least \$50,000 when they reach the age of 18 so they have a good head start and no room to complain about being treated unfairly since everyone gets the same chance or Monopoly money for passing "go" when they turn 18. Maybe do that instead of all the social services? Leave the rest to charity? Or, what? Everyone annoyed? Who said "I think I prefer the way things are to your "Monopoly" idea because your idea will likely kill the economy and make money worthless so there would be no point and it would be the equivalent of Confederate Dollars if we did that."? I know. Stay vigilant and do not resort to vigilantism. Turn in human traffickers. They are criminals and will be prosecuted and then likely imprisoned and forced into some form of government sponsored slavery to pay for enslaving others to teach them a lesson or so we hope. And, if you want to abolish the Department of Health and Human Services, I understand. But, they do report and expose human trafficking and try to find ways to combat it while understanding they can't enforce laws where no one has reported and can't investigate or treat anyone like a criminal without probable cause which relies on victims' reporting. And, the victims believing the government is in on it with the traffickers because they were placed by a government agency or through social services with traffickers while said was unknown to be the environment provided by the private sector service provider, are encouraged and supported by me, my church, and my mission. So, please donate.

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