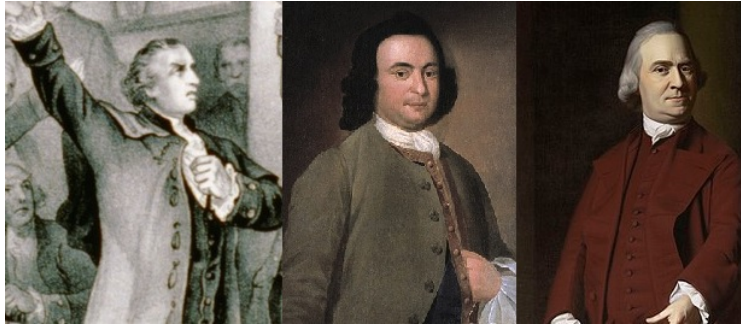


## American Minute with Bill Federer

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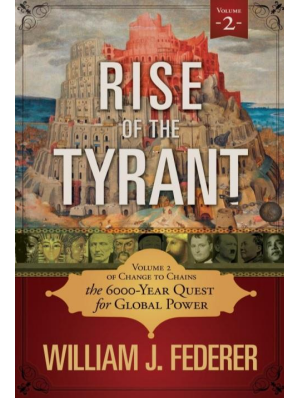


- Castro,
- Kim Jong-un,
- King Abdullah,
- Mugabe,
- Omar al-Bashir,
- Idi Amin,
- Pol Pot,
- Ho Chi Minh,
- Stalin, and
- Mao Zedong?

In spite of these leaders using **democratic sounding titles**, such as Chairman, Premier, General Secretary, Chancellor, Prime Minister, The Dear Leader, or El Presidente, **they were authoritarian ... [continue reading American Minute here ...](#)**

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**Anti-Federalists** predicted that the **human tendency for power to concentrate** itself into a **dictatorial deep state** would **repeat itself in America**.

**Saint Augustine of Hippo**, in Book I of *City of God*, described this trait in **human nature** as: "**libido dominandi**" - **the lust to dominate**.

From **Cain** killing Abel, to **Nimrod's** Tower of Babel, to a future one-world government, power, like **gravity**, tends to **concentrate** and **oppress people**.

Martin Guha of King's College London, Institute of Psychiatry, wrote in "Scientific English: Ruminations on Dr. Johnson and Noah Webster" (*Journal of Mental Health*, February 2011; 20(1): 1–4):

"The **Biblical tale of the Tower of Babel** suggested that if **humanity** had only one language, **humans** could become god-like. It is equally arguable however that they **would become more ant-like**."

**Anti-Federalists** opposed the new U.S. Constitution.

Why?

They did not think there were **enough limits put on the new Federal Government** to prevent it from **usurping power** and becoming a **despotism**.

Generations later, **Eisenhower** told the Governors' Conference, June 24, 1957:

"The **National Government** was itself the **creature of the States** ... Yet today it is often made to appear that the creature, **Frankenstein-like**, is determined to **destroy the creators.**"

**Anti-Federalists** pressured the first Congress to put **handcuffs** on the new government with the **Bill of Rights**, which stated in its Preamble:

"... the States, having at the time of their adopting the Constitution, expressed a desire, **in order to prevent ... abuse of its powers**, that further ... **restrictive clauses should be added.**"

Notable **Anti-Federalists** included:

- **Patrick Henry,**
- **Samuel Adams,**
- **George Mason,**
- **Richard Henry Lee,**
- **Robert Yates,**
- **James Monroe,**
- **George Clinton,**
- **Melancton Smith,**
- **Arthur Fenner,**
- **James Winthrop,**
- **Luther Martin,** and
- **James & Mercy Warren.**

The history preceding the formation of the **Federal Government** was filled with the **British government trampling the rights of colonists.**

Following the hated **Stamp Act of 1765**, the British committed the **Boston Massacre in 1770**, firing into a crowd, killing five.

In 1773, **James Warren** proposed that **Samuel Adams** form **Committees of Correspondence** to inform the rest

of the nation of **injustices** being committed in Boston.

**Sam Adams** wrote:

"**The rights of the colonists**, and of this province in particular, as men, **as Christians**, and as subjects; **to communicate and publish** the same to the several towns in this province **and to the world** as the sense of this town."

The **globalist British Empire** increased taxes on the colonies.

In response **Sam Adams** organized the **Boston Tea Party**, December 16, 1773.

In 1774, the British retaliated by **blocking Boston Harbor** to starve the city into submission.

The colonists grew in their **resistance to concentrated government power**.

To subdue them, Britain sent over an army, which led to the **Battle of Bunker Hill in 1775**.

Hundreds were killed, including the President of the Massachusetts Provincial Congress, **Dr. Joseph Warren**.

A distant cousin of **Joseph Warren** was **James Warren**, who also fought at **Bunker Hill**.

**James** became the **next President** of the **Massachusetts Provincial Congress**.

**James Warren** was married to the famous anti-Federalist author **Mercy Otis Warren**, was called "**the conscience of the Revolution**" for her correspondence with many founding fathers.

**James Warren** described the **Battle of Bunker Hill** to his wife, **Mercy Otis Warren**, June 18, 1775:

"My Dear **Mercy** ... Extraordinary Nature of the Events which have taken place in the last 48 Hours ...

The Night before last our Troops possessed themselves of a Hill in Charlestown & had time only to heave up an Imperfect Breastwork ...

... (British) Regular Troops from the Batteries in Boston & two Men-of-War (ships) in the Ferryway began early next Morning a Heavy Fire on them which was Continued till about Noon when they Landed a large number of Troops ...

... After a Stout resistance & great Loss on their side dispossessed our Men, who with the Accumulated disadvantages of being **Exposed to the fire of their Cannon & the want (lack) of Ammunition** & not being supported by fresh Troops were obliged to abandon the Town & retire to our Lines towards Cambridge ...

**Savage Barbarity never practiced among Civilized Nations** they fired & have Utterly destroyed the Town of Charlestown ...

... Among the first of which to our inexpressible Grief is **my Friend Doctor (Joseph) Warren** who was killed ...

Many other officers are **wounded** and some **killed** ...

It is Impossible to describe the Confusion in this place, Women & Children flying into the Country, armed Men Going to the field, and wounded Men returning from there fill the Streets ...

... I hear nothing yet but the roaring of Cannon below ...

I need not say that I long to see you, perhaps never more

in my life."

**James Warren**, in his new position as **President of the Massachusetts Provincial Congress**, approved the Resolution, June 16, 1775:

"It has pleased **Almighty GOD** in his **Providence** to suffer the Calamities of an unnatural War to take Place among us ...

And as we have Reason to fear, that **unless we become a penitent and reformed People**, we shall feel still severer Tokens of his Displeasure.

... And as the **most effectual Way to escape those desolating Judgments**, which so evidently hang over us ... will be -- **That we repent** and return everyone from his Iniquities, unto Him that correcteth us ...

... Among the prevailing Sins of this Day, which threaten the Destruction of this Land, we have Reason to lament the frequent Prophanation of **the Lord's Day**, or **Christian Sabbath** ...

It is therefore RESOLVED ... by this Congress ... the People ... throughout this Colony ... pay a religious Regard to that Day, and to the **public Worship of God** thereon."

At the time the U.S. Constitution was being written, **Anti-Federalist James Warren** submitted essays to the local newspaper under the pen name "**Helviti<sup>u</sup>s Priscus**," who was a **Roman republican who resisted the dictatorship of Emperor Nero**.

On December 27, 1787, the *Independent Chronicle* published **Warren's "Helviti<sup>u</sup>s Priscus"** article criticizing the Constitutional Convention:

"... that assembly, who have ambitiously and daringly

presumed to **annihilate the sovereignties of the thirteen United States**; to establish a **Draconian Code**; and to bind posterity by their **secret councils**."

In his article, **Warren** referred to the **Lycian League**, a thriving **confederation of independent Greek city-states** which existed from the 8th century BC till its **conquest in 338 BC by Phillip of Macedon**, the father of Alexander the Great.

**Warren** continued:

"Everyone acquainted with **ancient history** ... turn their thoughts to the miserable fate of the **Lycians** ...

a sober, virtuous people, who **maintained their independence**, and their freedom, **for several centuries**; and supported their own simple institutions, under twenty-three district sovereignties ...

... A people bearing a strong resemblance to a **party** in **America** had crept in among them, and ... **an ambitious Phillip** had his emissaries in that body, who **by political intrigue**, and well-timed plausible speeches, enabled him ... to **set himself at the head of the Grecian States**;

**to annihilate their constitutions**, and to degrade them to the most abject submission to the will of a **despotic tyrant** ...

... **The tyrant** alleged the same excuse for his **encroachment**, that we hear hacknied in the streets of our capitals, for **subjugating the Americans**."

**James Warren**, who died November 28, 1808. added:

"The application ... is left for the consideration of every lover of his country. **America has fought for her liberties** ... purchased them by the **most costly sacrifices** ...

And shall ... her freedom be sported away **by the duplicity, and the intrigues** of those, who never participated in her sufferings? ... **mad ambition** of a mind ready to sacrifice ... humanity for **its gratification?**

... FORBID IT HEAVEN!."

Just as **today's youth** have become naively enamored with **socialist dictatorships**, the **youth of Warren's day** were similarly enticed.

**James Warren** continued his admonition:

"Let the **youth of America** ... instead of indulging a rapturous admiration for the **modern superficial speechifiers** in favor of an American monarchy,

let them examine the principles of the late glorious revolution ... and **before they embrace the chains of servitude**, let them scrutinize ... if their pride ... will suffer them to **lick the hand of a despotic master** ...

Let him be stigmatized with the odium ... the **base betrayer** of the rights of his country ... **though he may artfully have obtained an election** ...

**Let the old Patriots come forward**, and instead of secretly wrapping up their opinions within their own breasts, **let them lift up the voice like a trumpet**, and show this people their folly and ... **impending danger.**"

Another **Anti-Federalist** was **Patrick Henry**, the five-time Governor of Virginia, renown for his phrase: "Give me liberty or give me death."

Though America may have very good leaders, in the future, someone **a corrupt deep state bureaucracy** may **usurp power** and trample the rights of citizens.



This was **Patrick Henry's** concern when he warned Virginia's Ratifying Convention, June 5, 1788:

"Examples are to be found in **ancient Greece** and **ancient Rome** ... of the **people losing their liberty** by their **carelessness** and the **ambition** of a few ...

**We are told that we need not fear;** because those in power, being our **Representatives, will not abuse the power** we put in their hands:

I am not well versed in history, but I will submit to your recollection, whether **liberty has been destroyed ... by the tyranny of rulers? ..."**

**Henry** continued:

"Those nations ... **negligently suffering their liberty to be wrested from them, have groaned under intolerable despotism.**

Most of the human race are now in this deplorable condition ...

My great **objection** to this **(Federal) Government** is, that it does not leave us the means of **defending our rights, or of waging war against tyrants** ...

Let my beloved Americans **guard against that fatal lethargy** ...

I would recur to **the American spirit to defend us** ... to that illustrious spirit I address my most fervent prayer, **to prevent our adopting a system destructive to liberty** ..."

**Henry** added:

"Oh, Sir, we should have fine times indeed, if to punish

**tyrants ...**

Your arms wherewith you could defend yourselves, are gone ...

... Did you ever read of any revolution in a nation, brought about by the **punishment of those in power, inflicted by those who had no power at all? ...**

A few neighbors cannot assemble without the risk of being shot by a hired soldiery, the **engines of despotism.**

We may see such an act in America."

Effectively foreseeing "**critical race theory**" purging the **military** of all but "**yes men**" of the President, Henry added:

"A standing army we shall have also, to execute the execrable commands of tyranny: And **how are you to punish them? ...**

What resistance could be made?

The attempt would be madness ...

**You cannot force them to receive their punishment:** Of what service would militia be to you, when most probably you will not have a single musket in the State ...

... Can the **annals of mankind** exhibit one single example, where **rulers overcharged with power willingly let go the oppressed ...**

**A willing relinquishment of power** is one of those things which **human nature never** was, nor ever will be **capable of."**

**Henry** wrote further:

"When the American spirit was in its youth ... **liberty, Sir, was then the primary object** ...

We drew **the spirit of liberty** from our British ancestors; by that spirit we have triumphed over every difficulty:

But now, Sir, the American spirit, assisted by the **ropes and chains of consolidation**, is about to convert this country to a powerful and mighty empire ...

... If you make the **citizens** of this country agree to become the **subjects** of one great consolidated empire of America ... such a government is incompatible with **the genius of republicanism**.

There will be **no checks, no real balances, in this government** ...

Suppose it should prove oppressive, how can it be altered? ...

... Is it not, therefore, **a consolidated government?** ... with very extensive powers -- **the powers of a king.**"

**Patrick Henry** stated further:

"This Constitution is said to have beautiful features; but when I come to examine these features, sir, they appear to me horribly frightful ...

... It squints towards monarchy ...

... it will puzzle any American ever to get his neck from under the galling yoke ...

... What will then become of you and your rights?

Will not **absolute despotism** ensue? ...

My great objection to the Constitution (is) ... that **the**

**preservation of our liberty** depends on the single chance of **men being virtuous enough to make laws to punish themselves.**"

**Jefferson** wrote in his *Notes on Virginia* Q.XIII, 1782 (ME 2:164):

"All the powers of government, **legislative, executive, and judiciary** ... in the **same hands** is precisely the definition of **despotic government** ...

Let those who doubt it turn their eyes on the **republic of Venice** ...

**Legislative, executive and judiciary** department should **be separate** ... so that **no person should exercise the powers of more than one** of them at the same time ...

Nor should our assembly be **deluded** by the integrity of their own purposes, and **conclude that these unlimited powers will never be abused**, because themselves are not disposed to abuse them.

They should look forward to a time, and that not a distant one, when **corruption** in this, as in the country from which we derive our origin, will have seized the heads of government, and be **spread by them through the body of the people**; when they will **purchase the voices of the people**, and make them pay the price.

**Human nature is the same** on every side of the Atlantic, and will be alike influenced by the same causes."

The **wisdom of the Anti-Federalists** is being revisited in light of:

- **unelected Supreme Court Justices** usurping power to overturn the will of the people;
- **past Presidents** effectively enacting laws through

executive orders, proclamations, memoranda, and regulatory bureaucracy; and

- **Congressmen** relinquishing their role of being representatives of the people, in many instances, to the United Nations.

**President Andrew Jackson** warned in his Farewell Address, March 4, 1837:

"Men who profit by the **abuses** and desire to perpetuate them will continue to besiege the halls of legislation in the General Government ... and will seek by **every artifice** to **mislead and deceive the public servants** ...

You have **no longer** any cause to **fear danger from abroad**; your strength and power are well known throughout the civilized world, as well as the high and gallant bearing of your sons.

**It is from within**, among **yourselves** - from cupidity (greed), **from corruption**, from ... inordinate **thirst for power** - that factions will be formed and **liberty endangered**.

It is against such designs, **whatever disguise the actors may assume**, that you have especially **to guard yourselves**."

**Jefferson** wrote in his *Notes on Virginia* Q.XIII, 1782 (ME 2:165):

"The time to **guard against corruption** and **tyranny** is before they shall have gotten hold of us. It is better to **keep the wolf out of the fold**, than to trust to drawing his teeth and talons after he shall have entered."

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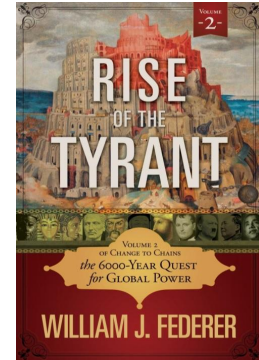
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