## THE LAST KINGDOM - THE NEXT KINGDOM

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The Last Kingdom

Jefferson, Adams, Franklin, Jones, Revere, Washington and the rest all took great pains to replace a king with a constitution. To replace the whim and impulse of man with the Rule of Law.

Have they failed?

A king is someone who answers to himself and no other.

A king is someone whose opinion cannot be overturned by another.

A king is king for life.

A king is not to be challenged.

Now pause, and consider.

A supreme court justice is someone who *answers to himself* and no other.

A supreme court justice is someone whose opinion cannot be overturned by another.

A supreme court justice is a justice for life.

A supreme court justice is *not to be challenged*.

We've built a system that, for all it's representative democracy, relies on the *rule of men* to make the final decisions. Perhaps we can never get away from that. But perhaps we can change the end game.

I suggest that when the US Supreme Court makes a decision which is heinous to the States of this Union, those very states which have created that Supreme Court, then those states may, by common resolution, advise the justices of the error of their opinion and direct that body to reconsider. The final decision of course would be up to the court and the states may only advise on the intent of the law, not the outcome of the case.

This is not to suggest that the states would make the decision for that court, but that a premise of the court can be clarified. For example, when the US Supreme Court ruled<sup>1</sup> that a farmer in Ohio who grew his own feed for his own cattle was affecting interstate commerce because he was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Wickard v. Filburn, 1942.

taking himself out of the interstate market, the states could advise the court, "*No, that's not what the commerce clause was intended to govern.*" The court could then reconsider under the clarification.

In the suggested correction regarding the Supreme Court, the last kingdom is not dismantled but given a body which may act to correct or avoid inappropriate decisions.

Just something to think about.

But then again, that is the point.

To think, therefore to be free.

## The Next Kingdom

In the previous essay, I use the United States Supreme Court as an example of how an admired and revered institution can, but for the character of the men seated, begin to function as an oligarchy. In that, I am reminded of the court's reliance on precedence and the *Navigator's Tale*. In the former, decisions made by the Supreme Court are, by practice, very difficult to overturn by a subsequent court. In the latter, the navigator knows that a small error in setting a course at the beginning of a long journey will lead to a very large error in location at the end. The analogy is that a court in error, under the practice of precedence, will influence later courts to perpetuate the error. Case law can subsequently drift us further and further from the Constitutional premises.

But that is a different topic, for that court is the *Last Kingdom*. In fact we have a greater and more pressing threat in the creation of the *Next Kingdom*.

As we scan the horizon, as did our navigator above, for clues about where our course is taking us, we notice a potentially powerful new oligarchy on the horizon. And it is not particularly friendly. There is, this very day, a group which has claimed authority over every nation on earth. It is run by a small group of men and is well funded and well armed. Sounds like a conspiracy theory doesn't it?

This group is well known and hiding in plain site. It is the United Nations. In the charter, member nations give up portions of their sovereignty and actually pledge allegiance to the UN. In the charter, the UN claims broad authority over both member and non member nations, including authority over internal matters. The World Bank has the potential to influence, and perhaps control, the global economy. The UN is controlled by the Security Council which is composed of permanent members who cannot be removed. The implications regarding the demise of the *Rule of Law*, the loss of Republican forms of Government, and even the loss of freedom itself are obvious.

In past years, the UN has exercised that control in many instances and the US, by virtue of our unparalleled economic and military strength, has been largely immune from such controlling actions. In recent years, however, the UN has seen a weakening in the US and some UN members have even informally called for war crimes investigations of US presidents.

Should our economic position continue to deteriorate, we could certainly be subjected to sanctions for such things which the Security Council might find irritating. As an example, in past years on more than one occasion, the UN has attempted to place a per-capita tax directly on US citizens and the US has vetoed that action. In future years, would we be able to defeat such a direct tax?

As a final turn in the maze of discovery about the UN, consciously acknowledge that this threat of a Global Oligarchy is not imagined but is real and is already operating today. The only reason we have failed to recognize it is that the US is a member of the controlling oligarchy. In fact, the US has been in a controlling position within that oligarchy.

Many people have warned us of the coming of a New World Order and have been chastised as *Conspiracy Theorists*. The truth is that the New World Order is already here, housed, in the Charter of the United Nations, and we are nurturing it to a place of dominion. It is we who have not only failed to control our own Federal Government, but have allowed, and even encouraged, the formation of *The Next Kingdom*.

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