America Needs To Wake Up

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The survival of democracy is dependent on its gatekeepers. But who or what are the gatekeepers? The gatekeepers in the United States are the **Constitution of the United States** and the **Bill of Rights**. These two documents outline the role of democracy in the US. However, they were not enough to maintain democracy. Without support, anyone running for office or wanting to pass specific legislation would be doomed to failure. Thus in the 1790s, an American innovation, "voter-based political parties," emerged.

By the 1850s, two political parties dominated American politics. They were:

Party	Founded	Ideology	Political position
Democratic Party	1828	Liberalism	Left of Center
Republican Party	1854	Conservatism	Right of Center

Over time, these two parties have changed and adapted to political, economic and social circumstances. There have been over 50 other political parties formed since 1938. Most of these parties do not have access to voting in national elections. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_political_parties_in_the_United_States)

Both the Democratic and Republican parties have moved off center. In recent decades the Democratic Party has moved further left than the Republican Party to the right. With the Clinton administration we started to see a deterioration of the Democratic Party as socialist and communist agendas started to appear in the party's goals and policies. This was further exacerbated with Obama, and has become outright visible under the Trump and Biden administrations.

The outright and caustic hatred toward Trump during and following his administration clearly demonstrates the Democrats movement toward the far left socialist/communists. This movement has been further exacerbated with the weaponization of departments and personnel within the federal government, which is supposed to uphold the US Constitution and the laws of our nation.

The socialist/communists in our nation want to destroy democracy and replace it with socialist ideology and control.

In Alexandre Dumas' book, "Three Musketeers," the musketeers motto was "One for all and all for one." Ironically the motto, once a fictional call for everyone supporting each other, the motto in reality has become the basis for socialism and communism (an extreme form of socialism) but with some significant twists.

On the surface socialism sounds great. After all what's wrong with everyone cooperating and working together for the benefit of the group? Just take a look at the Kibbutz in Israel. While initially based on collective communal and egalitarian principles, Kabuttz over decades have changed as their socialistic base has decayed and is being replaced with increasing democratic ideology.

The failures of socialism are vividly demonstrated by the fall of the Soviet Union (USSR), and the ultimate rejection of socialism in Israel, India, Venezuela and the United Kingdom. While these and other countries initially embraced socialism, its precepts of political and economic control by the state or government ultimately failed in creating more equal societies, the freeing/emancipation of people from any kind of oppression, and the promise of progress.

The drawback and eventual downfall of socialism is simply based on the nature of man. Unlike animals, humans have unique intellectual, cultural, and communication abilities allowing them to reason, formulate ideas and concepts, and recognize universal principles. This means that mankind cannot be controlled unless his spirit, soul and ability to think for himself can be destroyed.

According to Lee Edwards (Center for the National Interest), ". . .socialism still beguiled leading intellectuals and politicians of the West. They could not resist its siren song, of a world without strife because it was a world without private property. They were convinced that a bureaucracy could make more-informed decisions about the welfare of a people than the people themselves could."

Since the Clinton presidency, the nation has experienced increasing pressure from socialists and left leaning Democrats. The initiation of Clinton's "new covenant," a revitalization of the government with the citizenry, was the foundation that socialists were looking for. Obama's presidency further increased government's control over the nation's economy and its industries (Google "obama socialist actions").

While Clinton's and Obama's actions were largely covert in nature, Biden's socialist actions exposed the socialist agenda without any apology. Biden weaponized various departments in attempts to intimidate and control his political adversaries, the American people, and to take control of America's social and economic institutions.

Now, the Democratic Party, Kamala Harris and her cronies, and other socialist activists have been lying, twisting facts, and disseminating false, distorted and half-truth information, all in an attempt to win the presidential election. Harris's campaign promises are based on the "Congressional Progressive Caucus: Progressive Proposition Agenda." (https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/24554620-progressive-caucus-agenda-for-2025) In carefully reviewing this agenda, the major questions are:

- Where will be funding for all these items come from?
- What constraints will be placed on the people affected by these items?
- How will be taxpayer impacted?
- Where is the equality for all with regard to race, age, sex, etc.?

Harris has been making a lot of promises but has not revealed any policy or how her promises will be kept. For decades, Democrats have made promises to the electorate but have never been able to deliver on those promises where it has not cost the taxpayer either in decreased freedoms and/or increased taxation. All you need to do is to look at what was promised to various ethnic groups and how those groups never received the promised support.

Once known as the party of the "common man," the early Democratic Party stood for individual rights and state sovereignty. Today its stance has flipped 180 degrees. It no longer supports the common man but rather increased government and government control, exactly what socialism supports. It is now a party interested in maintaining its power. Its goal is socialist in nature and the eventual enslavement of free thinking and freedom loving Americans. Their strategy involves intimidation, lying, misdirection, distorting facts, manipulating government, making false promises, dividing the people, suppressing freedoms, and many other actions designed to maintain their control. (https://simplicable.com/society/political-strategy)

This upcoming November election is not and should not be about party politics, personalities or promises made, but rather about what is best for you – the American citizen – your wellbeing, way of life, and your freedoms. Do not be deceived by the alluring song of socialism. Your identity as an individual person, to control your own destiny, is at stake.

Democracy is:

"Government of the People, by the People, for the People"

Abraham Lincoln, Gettysburg Address