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I have watched how government works since I was a kid watching my Father help Bob Dole get elected to the House of Representatives. I saw how politics worked sitting in those "smoke filled rooms" at a young age. I have never trusted government since. I have only a desire to be left alone by my government.

But politicians won't do that. They only seek money and power. They don't give a damn about WE THE PEOPLE. Witness what is happening now. The Federal Government has decided that you do not even have the right to a Nation with Borders, or the actual power of true Citizenship.

Even now they are trying to take my sovereign power from me to decide what goes into my body, and the bodies of our children. Even now they are talking about removing the Nuremberg Code which was created because of what the Nazi's did to people.

So, why would you entrust new tools or power over my Rights to those who do not believe you have any Rights at all?

Consider these words from Ayn Rand's "Atlas Shrugged" spoken by a character named Dr. Ferris: "Did you really think that we want those laws to be observed? We *want* them broken. You'd better get it straight that it's not a bunch of boy scouts you're up against – then you'll know that this is not the age for beautiful gestures. We're after power and we mean it. ... There's no way to rule innocent men. The only power *any* government has is the power to crack down on criminals. Well, when there aren't enough criminals, one makes them. One declares so many things to be a crime that it becomes impossible for men to live without breaking laws. Who wants a nation of law-abiding citizens? What's there in that for anyone? But just pass the kind of laws that can neither be observed nor enforced nor objectively interpreted – and you create a nation of law-breakers – and then you cash in on guilt. Now, that's the system, Mr. Rearden, that's the game, and once you understand it, you'll be much easier to deal with."

There's no way to rule innocent men. Think about it. In the eyes of those in power, not one of us can be allowed to be innocent. Ever.

Because of this, the Powers that Be will not leave me alone. I saw an eerie quote recently as follows: "The most terrifying force of death comes from the hands of 'Men who wanted to be left alone.' They know that the moment they fight back, the

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lives as they lived them are over. It is a small form of suicide, as they are literally killing off who they used to be. Which is why, when forced to take up violence, these 'Men who wanted to be left alone' will fight with unholy vengeance against those who murdered their former lives. They fight with a raw hate, and a drive that cannot be fathomed by those who play-act at politics and terror. True terror will arrive at the Enemy's door, and they will scream, cry, and beg for mercy, but it will fall on deaf ears. For these men simply wanted to be left alone."

People who simply want to be left alone are pushing back all over the world. In short, never underestimate the power of people who simply want to be left alone. I have great respect for the Rule of Law. I have no interest in an anarchist anything-goes society. But have we crossed the threshold? What happens when the government becomes like a predator stalking us like prey? I will never be in favor of any bill, legislation, ordinance, or mandate that infringes or regulates my freedom and property rights. It is bad enough that you steal from us by taxing our property.

In a desire to improve my farm I got suckered into the government CRP program on 1.5 acres. I am now fighting a continual battle against weeds trying to keep them out of the rest of the field. I have been told that the only thing I can do is burn it. But in my County, I cannot even burn on my property without begging permission from government agents. Trust the Government? Never again.

This desire to be left alone applies to both sides of the political spectrum. Sure, there's a small percentage (on both ends of the political spectrum) who are rabid activists, but they're in the minority. It seems everywhere I turn today; things are spiraling out of control because of the fraudulent election of 2020 which none of you want to talk about, let alone do a forensic audit. Why?

Just leave me alone. That's all I ask. Leave me alone to start and run my businesses; raise my children, worship my God. Leave me alone to grow a garden, run my farm, raise livestock, and engage in my passions. Leave me alone and not dictate how to spend my earnings from hard work – in bills, savings, charity, or legacy. Leave me alone to celebrate my successes or live with my mistakes. Leave me alone to take an experimental vaccine or not. Leave me alone to participate in the God-given freedoms guaranteed me by the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Just. Leave. Me. Alone.