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## Standing Strong in the Face of Tyranny

Many Americans are concerned with the direction in which our nation is headed.

They see economic uncertainty in the form of high gas prices and expensive food while the government runs up astronomical levels of debt. They see the possibility of America being drawn into another world war with Russia, China, or both. They see America sending hundreds of billions of their tax dollars to help foreign countries fight their wars. They see the border with Mexico effectively left wide open while millions of “migrants” — many of whom are violent criminals involved in human trafficking or drug cartels — enter the country, never to leave.

But perhaps worst of all, Americans see a government — or a component of the government often called the Deep State — that now openly persecutes its political opponents, a hallmark of tyrants throughout history.

Consider the unprecedented persecution of Donald Trump. Never has a sitting or former American president endured such relentless waves of attacks, ranging from impeachments to the various lawsuits and baseless criminal charges he is now facing. Even liberals are starting to admit that these attacks are clearly politically motivated, designed to wear Trump down, destroy him financially, and keep him out of office if not put him in prison.

Consider also the case of retired Lieutenant General Michael Flynn, national security advisor under Donald Trump, who pleaded guilty to making false statements to the FBI regarding the content of a conversation he had with a foreign official before Trump took office. He later withdrew his guilty plea, and fought to prove his innocence. Flynn’s ordeal is highlighted in the cover story package in this issue. We believe honest readers will be left with no doubt that Flynn was persecuted because he was seen as a dangerous opponent to the globalist Deep State running this country.

But the persecution goes far beyond Trump and his former advisors. Conservatives are regularly censored or shadow-banned on social media, parents are threatened with jail time for speaking out at school board meetings against the degeneracy being forced upon their children in the public schools, and leftist politicians and media personalities regularly impugn Trump supporters as dangerous extremists who need to be stopped. The awful persecution of the January 6 protesters comes to mind.

Clearly, the Deep State is lashing out because it does not want to lose power.

While all of this is certainly cause for consternation, putting everything into perspective is necessary to avoid discouragement. We need to keep in mind that, while our situation might be unique in our time, when viewed as part of the tapestry of history it isn’t unusual. This sort of thing has happened before.

Consider the struggle our Founders endured. With reliance upon God for help, they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor to the cause of liberty — knowing full well that they might lose all of them. Long before that, men were fighting against authoritarianism (i.e., monarchy) in England. Polemicist and civil servant John Milton is one such man, and readers are encouraged to see the history article in this issue for more about him.

Compared to what our forefathers in the cause of liberty faced, the current battle against the Deep State in many ways seems tame. One likely explanation for this is that the elites still fear us. They know we are well armed and well informed, and they don’t want to overplay their hand and face a massive



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uprising. While our principles preclude us from resorting to violence except at the uttermost end of need, we must not give up the fight; we should always oppose evil and lawlessness.

Let brave men such as John Milton and our Founders be examples from the past, and men such as Donald Trump and Mike Flynn examples from the present, with all their imperfections. There is a God in Heaven who has always used imperfect people to accomplish His greater purpose, and fighting against the godless, internationalist Deep State is certainly part of that war.



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