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## What Is Capitalism?

Capitalism is a social system based upon the recognition of individual rights, including property rights, in which all property is privately owned. Individual rights entail the banishment of physical force from human relationships. Rights can be violated only by physical force. In a capitalist society, no one can righteously initiate the physical taking away of another's rights.

Peter endorsed government that allows the community of YHWH to exist. The Bible recognizes that government's function is to protect man's rights (Acts 17:26). The government acts as the agent of man's rights — only communists give up these rights. God protects these rights (1 Pet 2:13-17). The task of government is to protect man's rights. We are to honor the king (or president).

(Only we, voluntarily, of our own free will, for the sake of the gospel, give up our own possessions. A disciple can't hang onto anything.)

Man, by his very nature, is gregarious (company-loving). Man wasn't meant to live alone. Government is necessary; even in the next age will there be government (Isa 9:7). Yahweh's order (that is, government ordained by Him) is necessary to protect man in his innate desire to be together. A social environment is most conducive for man's existence. There are two great benefits gained by man's being gregarious: 1) knowledge, and 2) trade — the division of labor.

Free enterprise has incalculable benefits for all men. Under it all, men have an opportunity to do good and to share. God did not put it into man to share with those who are lazy. He put it into the hearts of men to share with those who work. Men will be blessed to the extent that they have this desire and actually share. (If there are a few in a place who do good, Yahweh won't destroy them. Abraham was not a yes-man. We will not exist apart from prayer. We are the seed of Abraham.

Any government which intervenes to force people to share is an evil government. Such a government destroys all human values. To recognize individual rights is to recognize the image of God in man. The precondition of civilized society is the banishment of force from human

relations. If a nation provided no protection, everyone would have to go around armed. Let's look at our police protection as good. Laws are to protect individual rights. Government exists by the consent of the governed. There is one thing a citizen must accept to live in a free society: he must separate force from whim. He must give over to the government the use of force in a stable, regular, orderly manner.

The proper functioning of government falls into three broad categories. All involve force.

They are:

Police protection (from criminals)

Armed forces (from foreign invaders)

Law courts (to settle disputes and mete out justice)

These are three areas where we, the Holy Nation, are to refrain from, except the third, to defend our rights. If the church participates in these areas, they deny the scriptures and we give ourselves over to the nations to fight their disputes.

The very words *capitalistic society* have an evil connotation today. But in a capitalistic society there is room to function according to your conscience without the use of force. In such a society all human relationships are voluntary, as each one's own conscience dictates. In it men are free to cooperate or not, to deal with one another or not. They have the right to agree or disagree. (Disciples have given up their right to disobey Messiah. They have died. We don't have the right to do wrong (Rom 6:16-22)).

### **Opening the Door Wider to the Lake of Fire**

When men intervene in what only God can do in the church, it makes open, wider, the way to the Lake of Fire. The Civil Rights Movement made Châm arrogant, hateful, and proud. It has exactly the same fruit as the Women's Liberation Movement. Our Father has always been for the oppressed and lowly, but elevation apart from the Holy Spirit strips man of his tenderness and sincerity. These teachings are getting every bit of anarchy out of us. Then we'll have compassion on people.

Look into the Mount Eagle School where Martin Luther King came from. In his most famous speech, he said over and over again, "I have a dream." This is from Jer 23:25: "I have heard what the prophets said who prophesied falsely in my name, saying, 'I have a dream, I have a dream!'" What is the fruit of what Martin Luther King did? Are they free from the curse? Or are they full of anxiety and strife? Now, no longer looking for what God is giving them (1 Pet 2:18-21), all their relationships have fallen apart. (In Massachusetts, the rate of infection from all STD's, including AIDS, is 100 times higher among blacks than white youths. They are following Martin Luther King's grossly immoral, adulterous way of life.)

To determine whether a government is established by God, it must protect individual rights. Men have rights under the constitution of capitalistic countries. Communism gives no credit to God (Rom 13:1-7). Those governments instituted by God (verse 1) are certainly not those who reward good with evil. Rulers are servants of God who punish evil and reward good.

### **The United States of America**

The United States of America is founded upon principles which allow for the type of governing described in Rom 13:1-7. {Yoneq said, "I would rather be a Deist outside the true body than recognize Jesus Christ. George Washington was a wonderful man." (He was a Deist.)} Rights are a necessary condition to seek God. We must have this freedom to make disciples. His wrath must be allayed so that the end can come in righteousness (Ecc'cus 48:10; Acts 17:31). His wrath can only be allayed through prayer. If AIDS takes over the world, it is only because we haven't prayed. We have an inalienable right to pray.

(In every nation, freedom to preach and make disciples will endure (Mt 28:20). Where we are not received the gospel has been preached and rejected.)

America was established so that Judah could come here and spiritual Judah could be raised up. One of the most profound achievements of America was to subordinate a whole nation to moral law. The United States of America was the first moral society in hundreds of years. (The hunters who slaughtered the animals will not enter the nations.) God provided a place for

people free from tyranny. Other societies degenerated to the point of saying that the individual belonged to the state. The moral breakdown in many societies was so great that the state apprehended the right to dispose of a man in any way it pleased. The National Education Association has taken away this knowledge from us.

*The United States of America hailed that man's life is his by divine right.* It is his, not the state's, as a moral principle according to his nature. It hailed that man has a divine right to be free. It recognized that man doesn't exist by permission of the state because permission can be revoked at any moment. (As our inalienable right to teach our children does not stem from the state, to be taken away at its whim, but from our God.) Human beings are created in the image of God. They are free moral agents who exercise their rights under God. These rights are the very property of each individual and established government is the protector of these rights. That is why government was established. It exists for the sake of the people, not the people for them.

A man has only one fundamental right: the right to his own life — that in it he could grope for God (Acts 17:26-27). The right to his own life is the freedom to seek God and worship Him. Man's rights to liberty and the pursuit of happiness are the freedom from interference by force from other men.

The Declaration of Independence stated that men were endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights and *to secure these rights governments were established by men.* This provided the only valid justification for government to secure men's inalienable rights to protect them from physical violence in the exercise of their rights. Here, government changes from the role of a tyrant to a servant of the people. (This speaks of the good, the righteous people. The community will set the standard of how the nations should be.)

Government was set up to protect people from criminals. The Constitution was written to protect the people from government. The Bill of Rights was geared to get government to secure these individual rights. Governments are instituted among men deriving their just power from the consent of the governed. The source of the government's authority is the people. The government

has no rights except those delegated by the people to the government for a specific purpose. Our children must understand these things better than any lawyer.

The results of these things was a pattern of civilized society that endured for 150 years. These rights are declining. Laws should be moral in themselves. They should bear witness in your own conscience. If your conscience doesn't bear witness to just laws, then you are a rebel, fit for the second death. The ones in the nations will be those who loved authority.

The source of the government's authority is the consent of the governed. If a congressman doesn't represent the people who elected him, he will go to the Lake of Fire. It has to go into our souls, minds and spirits what is and isn't a just law. A government official is bound by law in every official act he makes. He is allowed to do only what is permitted. A private citizen may do anything, except what is legally prohibited. He may do anything except that which violates another's rights. All of this is the subordinating of might to right.

**Statism** is the subordination of right to might. It is the centralization of economic controls and planning to a highly centralized government. The Constitution must be substantiated to limit government, not the rights of individuals. A concentrated effort is being made to obliterate this point, to enable the servant to become the master. Objective laws are independent from any motive of those who passed them. Those who pass laws for their own benefit set the stage for brute force. When the government becomes free to function and the citizen can only do what is allowed then the darkest stage of human society is set.

### **Our Response**

Let the state act according to its conscience and the church according to the Bible and the Holy Spirit. Satan's most avid followers are those who deny he even exists. If we abide in Yahshua continually, then Satan will not be able to touch us until he resorts to physical force. If we abide in Messiah and keep our mind on the Spirit, this will bring us life and peace. If we don't have life and peace, there is an obstinacy in us.

When we start living in the Holy Spirit, abiding in Him and suffering in the flesh (to come to an end of sin), then we'll have freedom. What are we doing that our conscience condemns us of? When we sin we are going to be disciplined until we learn not to do that thing that robs our brothers from having the life and gifts that we have (1 Pet 5:6).

Let's thoroughly look into prayer and intercession.

We must go to one another when we have problems. 99% of our problems can be resolved between the two individuals involved. If you don't go to the brother you have a grievance against you are destroying the Edah. This must not die with us.

Each person in the Edah needs to know what their money gets. Everyone needs to know about the tithe — 10% of what he sweats goes to the nation. No one has the right to live without the sweat of their brow. God initiated that system after the Fall. Every person must be involved in the monetary transactions.