

## Chieftain's Lament

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Are we fools that we cannot see that America has become everything it once despised? Is the Bill of Rights merely a fanciful document to be disregarded whenever it suits. Have the words freedom, liberty, equality been reduced in meaning to the level of advertising slogans, or worse, utilised as a veil to cloak despotism, conquest and exploitation? Are we so stupid that we believe the absurd proposition that we must surrender our liberties in order to safeguard our liberties? Reality signals an unambiguous yes to all the above. A nation is only its people and there is no blame to lay elsewhere. How profound is the contradiction that is ourselves?

The American Revolution like all revolutions is constant process, a process of maintaining that which has been gained and ensuring that hard won liberties are not forfeited. If integrity is lost, then everyone dies for nothing. If we are not constantly vigilant then the result is as we witness the world today, a contraction into slavery. And what compensation is given the sorrowful slave? A better life 'to come,' a type of theological deferment - promises of 'future' reward (or dreams of paradise.) Yet there is no future, there is only now, the present is continuous - life is now or not ever. If you would lose your life then defer it, or sell it for a dream and inherit a nightmare.

Would we be treated with contempt and accept the harness of beasts of burden, or kill each other for the profit of others? In times of crisis people often ask, "what can I do, I am only one of many?" The answer is simplicity itself, essentially we are One, we have always been and always will be One; failure to understand this automatically assumes dependence, bondage and conflict. Refute divisionists at every turn and regain your heritage.

Peace to you All.

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