

Open Letter to Government Officials and Citizens of the State of Wisconsin.

America's founders understood and established a form of government known as federalism. True federalism understands that all levels and branches of government possess lawful authority.

An important aspect of federalism is that whenever one branch of government begins to play the tyrant, it is incumbent upon all other branches (whether federal, state, county, or local) to resist that branch – even if that branch is the Supreme Court itself.

Wisconsin has a rich history in this regard. In 1859, the Wisconsin legislature and the Wisconsin Supreme Court defied the U.S. Supreme Court and interposed against the federal Fugitive Slave Act by declaring it *“null, void, and of no authority”* in the state of Wisconsin.

Wisconsin interposed - Wisconsin simply said no to an unjust law and court opinion.

In our day, it has become painfully clear that the federal judiciary continues to play the tyrant. The U.S. Supreme Court (SCOTUS) has consistently been the dispenser of unjust, immoral, and unconstitutional court opinions, including, preborn babies can be murdered and a man can “marry” a man.

Tragically, governors, state attorney generals, and state legislatures have complied with these unjust and immoral opinions by hiding behind the common song of our day: *“The Supreme Court has ruled – all we can do is obey.”*

This mantra is a lie. It is not how our founders intended the states to respond to egregious acts of evil by the federal government. Rather, they expected interposition by the states. They expected defiance. The song of their day was *“Resistance to tyrants is obedience to God.”*

The idea that U. S. Supreme Court opinion is “the law of the land” is repugnant to our form of government. The idea that SCOTUS is the final arbiter of what is or is not constitutional is pretend legislation. The idea that all other branches of government must bow down to the court opinions of SCOTUS is legal fiction.

Thomas Jefferson, who penned the Kentucky Resolution of 1798, repudiated the idea that the Supreme Court was the “final arbiter” of what is or is not constitutional. He stated, *“The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal.”*

Men will forbear and so we should for a season, but there comes a point where forbearance becomes sin. There comes a point where forbearance becomes cowardice. There comes a point when men realize they no longer have the convenience of acting indifferent towards the unjust and immoral actions of their government. Our own Declaration of Independence established this truth for America.

Thus, we submit to the state of Wisconsin that the lawlessness of the federal judiciary should no longer be forborne. We submit to you that the murder of the preborn should not be forborne. The perverting of marriage and a host of other evils by the federal judiciary should not be forborne.

A little-known doctrine in our day that has been employed by men for thousands of years and has proven to peaceably rein in the lawless acts of government officials is the doctrine of the lesser magistrate. The doctrine simply stated is:

Whenever the higher-ranking civil authority makes unjust, immoral, or constitutionally repugnant laws, policies, or court opinions, the lower-ranking civil authority has both the God-given right and duty *not* to obey the superior authority, and if necessary, actively resist it.

You can learn more about interposition and the doctrine of the lesser magistrate at the website, DefyTyrants.com. May Christ rally the hearts of the citizens of Wisconsin to once again establish righteousness and justice. May Wisconsin make redemptive history. May you lead the way to protect the preborn and preserve the God ordained institution of marriage in Jesus' name!

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