



**SIMON  
JESTER  
SAYS**

Political tags — such as royalist, communist, democrat, populist, fascist, liberal, conservative, and so forth — are never basic criteria. The human race divides politically into those who want people to be controlled and those who have no such desire. The former are idealists acting from highest motives for the greatest good of the greatest number. The latter are surly curmudgeons, suspicious and lacking in altruism. But they are more comfortable neighbors than the other sort.

- Lazarus Long



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You can see it in their eyes as they sit and move the levers that work the gears of the State. They look at you and know there really is a free lunch. And when they reach to tear off a piece of your flesh, do you bite the hand that feeds on you? Or do you, like so many of your fellows ask if the maggot likes you rare, medium, or well done?

- From The Second Book Of KYFHO



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There are two, and ONLY two kinds of entity in the universe: people and property. The former cannot be owned, except, in a manner of speaking, by themselves. Everything else - land and natural resources, artifacts, abstractions such as contractual relationships and orbital positions, UNintelligent animals- everything else is property, either owned, abandoned or as-yet-unclaimed.

- L. Neil Smith



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Pity the poor, diseased politician. I imagine: to spend your days and expend your efforts making rules for others to live by, thinking up ways to run other lives. Actually to strive for the opportunity to do so! What a hideous affliction!

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Throughout history, poverty is the normal condition of man. Advances which permit this norm to be exceeded - here and there, now and then - are the work of an extremely small minority, frequently despised, often condemned, and almost always opposed by all right-thinking people. Whenever this tiny minority is kept from creating, or (as sometimes happens) is driven out of a society, the people slip back into abject poverty.

This is known as "bad luck."

- Lazarus Long



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Conservatives are people who lie awake at night worried that someone somewhere just might be having fun.

Liberals are people who lie awake at night worried that someone somewhere is making money.

Authoritarians are people that lie awake at night furious that someone somewhere is not obeying the law.

Libertarians are people who sleep at night Because the are exhausted from defending themselves against conservatives, liberals and authoritarians.



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Of all tyrannies a tyranny sincerely exercised for the good of its victims may be the most oppressive. It may be better to live under robber barons than under omnipotent moral busybodies, The robber baron's cruelty may sometimes sleep, his cupidity may at some point be satiated; but those who torment us for own good will torment us without end, for they do so with the approval of their own conscience.

- C.S. Lewis



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Every act of every government is based on violence. Political power, as Mao said, comes from the end of a gun. If the state wants you to stop doing something, it doesn't try to persuade you; it threatens to put you in jail if you keep doing it. If the state wants your money, it doesn't ask you for it politely. It doesn't try to earn it. The state extorts money from you with threats of prison.

Governments never open lemonade stands to finance themselves.

- Allen Thornton



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