

Immigration isn't a Real Problem

Emotions are running hot on the topic of immigration these days, both for and against, with most of the current drama surrounding birthright citizenship and migrant caravans.

Immigration is a government-caused problem that can't be solved with more government.

I'm not talking about people being imported and settled by government; that's not immigration. I completely oppose such government programs. I'm only talking about people making their own way to a new place.

People tend to move from places with less liberty to places with more. More liberty also creates prosperity. Despite the best efforts of the Department of Homeland Security and the government's other alphabet soup agencies, America still has more liberty than some other places. I'm sure they'll close this loophole as soon as possible so no one will want to come to America anymore.

Until they succeed, people will want to move here.

An inconvenient fact for those claiming to oppose only "illegal immigration": there's no such thing.

Regulating immigration isn't allowed by the Constitution.

The parts commonly used to justify immigration control only allow government to regulate the importation of slaves and to set the rules for becoming a new citizen. Immigration restriction isn't permitted. I'm not saying this is good or bad, but as it stands government immigration control isn't legal.

Any government employee who enforces a law that isn't allowed by the Constitution is a criminal, while those who break unconstitutional laws aren't.

If you don't like this, petition for a constitutional amendment, which allows government to control immigration.

Honestly, though, there's no such thing as immigration. There are only people moving around. Either a person is where they have a right to be, through property ownership or an arrangement with the property owner, or they are trespassing. "Public land" can't, by definition, be trespassed upon, regardless of the claims of government. Whether you allow others to use your private property is your choice, not the choice of your neighbors or voters.

If newcomers are a problem, there are ways to fix it.

- Abolish all tax-funded welfare and replace it with voluntary charity.
- Stop allowing politics, and votes, to violate rights. Natural human rights are never legitimately up for a vote nor subject to a law, no matter how many voters believe otherwise.
- Stop criminalizing defense of life, liberty, and property, and encourage everyone to carry the proper tools of defense at all times.

Immigration isn't a problem, unless you allow government to keep making it a problem.