

Unshakable Faith in The State

A couple of nights ago, an odd confluence of things made me consider my statist family members.

I'm currently watching *The Man in the High Castle* after I accidentally subscribed to Amazon Prime for a month, and then I ran across this piece of fiction in *The Voluntaryist*, and that combination started some wheels a-turning.

Had Germany won WWII, would my parents have grown up to be loyal Nazis? Believing the Bible told them that God had put *that* government over them and it was their duty to obey and be good citizens?

It really seems as though nothing can shake their faith in the U.S. feral government and its escalating police state. They may oppose certain policies or even most politicians, but they never question the institution of political government *itself*. They refuse to consider that the U.S. government might *not* be ethically superior to all others or that perhaps political government isn't necessary at all. And, of course, they are enthusiastic supporters of the State's reproductive organs. They are good Americans in all the ways the U.S. government wants.

So, had they grown up immersed in a slightly different political environment, would they manage to question its legitimacy when they can't seem to do that with this one now? Would *any* "patriotic American" be able to do that?

I wonder...