

Leaflet I — The Violet Rose

Vocatio Omnium Civium Dei – Calling All Citizens of God

Nothing is more shameful for a free people than to be ruled by a small, unaccountable clique that serves only its own appetites—and to let it happen without resistance.

Isn't it true that many decent Americans feel uneasy about what we've become? And yet most go on pretending, avoiding the mirror.

Who among us can imagine the shame that will follow when the fog lifts and we're forced to see—clearly, and too late—the lives destroyed, the rights erased, and the truths suppressed under the name of “order,” “faith,” or “greatness”?

If we are so numbed by distraction, so addicted to convenience, that we surrender our **greatest gift—moral agency**—without protest, then what future have we chosen?

If we hand over our power to think, question, and resist—out of fear or fatigue—then yes, we may deserve the collapse that follows.

We were not made to follow blindly.

We were not saved to be silent.

And yet far too many, in church and state alike, have become **an unthinking, compliant mob**, afraid to offend, afraid to speak, afraid to stand.

This is how it appears—but it is not who we are.

Each soul has been slowly shackled—not by brute force, but by manipulation, media, and the abuse of spiritual language. We have been **drugged by slogans and sermons** that tell us not to worry, not to question, not to care.

And now, **as the last rights are rolled back**, as entire communities are scapegoated and silenced, we lie in chains wondering how it happened.

Some saw it coming.

They warned us.

They were mocked, cast out, fired, unfriended.

But they were right.

If we all keep waiting for someone else to act, someone else to speak, the jaws of this machine will never stop. The cruelty will grow louder. And one day, the last human life sacrificed to indifference will be ours.

So now—in this hour—**every person of conscience must rise.**

We must remember our identity: **not as partisans, not as consumers, not as spectators—but as citizens of God.**

We must resist—boldly, peacefully, wherever we are.

- Resist the apathy.
- Resist the propaganda.
- Resist the slow conversion of faith into a tool of control.

Stop this machine before it devours everything.

- Before more children suffer.
- Before more freedoms vanish.
- Before the last voice is choked by law or algorithm or indifference.

And never forget:

A nation gets the leaders it tolerates.

From Henry David Thoreau — “*Civil Disobedience*”

"Unjust laws exist: shall we be content to obey them, or shall we endeavor to amend them, and obey them until we have succeeded, or shall we transgress them at once? ... If the injustice is part of the necessary friction of the machine of government, let it go, let it go: perhaps it will wear smooth—certainly the machine will wear out. But if it is of such a nature that it requires you to be the agent of injustice to another, then, I say, break the law. Let your life be a counter-friction to stop the machine."

From Walt Whitman: “*Preface to Leaves of Grass (1855)*”

"Resist much. Obey little. Once unquestioning obedience, once fully enslaved, no nation, state, city of this earth, ever afterward resumes its liberty."

Spread this message.

Make copies. Pass it on.

Not in violence, but in vision.

Not in fear, but in truth.

We are The Violet Rose.

And we will not be silent.