

to disavow these usurpations, which, in
acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our
representatives of the united States of America, in general Congre
of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare,
all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between
States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establi
and for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of

John Hancock

Sam Hooper
Joseph Hewes,
John Penn

Edward Rutledge

Thos Heyward Jr.
Thomas Lynch Junr
Arthur Middleton

Samuel Chase
Wm. Paro
Tho: Stone
Charles Carroll of Carrollton

George Wythe
Richard Henry Lee
Th: Jefferson
Mory Harrison
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Declaration of Independence

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Matthew 18:21-35

July 10, 2022

Edward Church

We the People

insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Article I

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

Section 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for six Years; and each Senator shall have the Qualifications requisite for Senators of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

Section 4. The Times, Places and Manner of holding the Elections of Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law alter or add to the Rules regulating the Elections of Representatives.

Section 5. The Congress shall assemble at least once in every Year, and such Meeting shall begin on the first Monday in December, unless they shall by Law provide otherwise.

Section 6. The Congress shall be held at such Place as they may by Law determine; and when the Congress is not in Session, the Executive Power shall devolve on the Vice President, and the Judges, both of the Supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices at such Place as the Congress may by Law determine.

Section 7. All Bills for raising Revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives; but the Senate may propose or concur with Amendments as on other Bills.

Section 8. The Congress shall have the following Powers, which shall be exercised in Conformity with the foregoing Powers, and in such Manner as they shall judge best to secure to the People of the United States the most effectual, wholesome and economical Execution of the same: To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; to borrow Money on the Credit of the United States; to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes; to coin Money, to regulate the Value thereof, and the foreign and domestic Trade; to fix the Standard of Weights and Measures; to define and punish Offences against the Law of Nations; to define and punish Piracies and Offences on the high Seas; to define and punish Offences against the Law of War; to grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal; to grant Patents and Copyrights; to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries; to constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court; to declare War, to grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and to make Rules concerning Captives on Land and on Sea; to raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money for that Purpose shall be for a longer Term than two Years; to provide and maintain a Navy; to make and fix the Rule and Discipline of the Army, Navy and Air Force; to make and fix the Rule and Discipline of the Militia; to provide for organizing, arming and disciplining the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States; to provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, to suppress Insurrections and to repel Invasions; to provide for the more effectual Execution of the Laws of the Union, by authorizing the Use of the Force of the United States; to declare and punish Offences against the Law of Nations; to define and punish Piracies and Offences on the high Seas; to define and punish Offences against the Law of War; to grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal; to grant Patents and Copyrights; to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries; to constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court; to declare War, to grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and to make Rules concerning Captives on Land and on Sea; to raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money for that Purpose shall be for a longer Term than two Years; to provide and maintain a Navy; to make and fix the Rule and Discipline of the Army, Navy and Air Force; to make and fix the Rule and Discipline of the Militia; to provide for organizing, arming and disciplining the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States; to provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, to suppress Insurrections and to repel Invasions; to provide for the more effectual Execution of the Laws of the Union, by authorizing the Use of the Force of the United States.

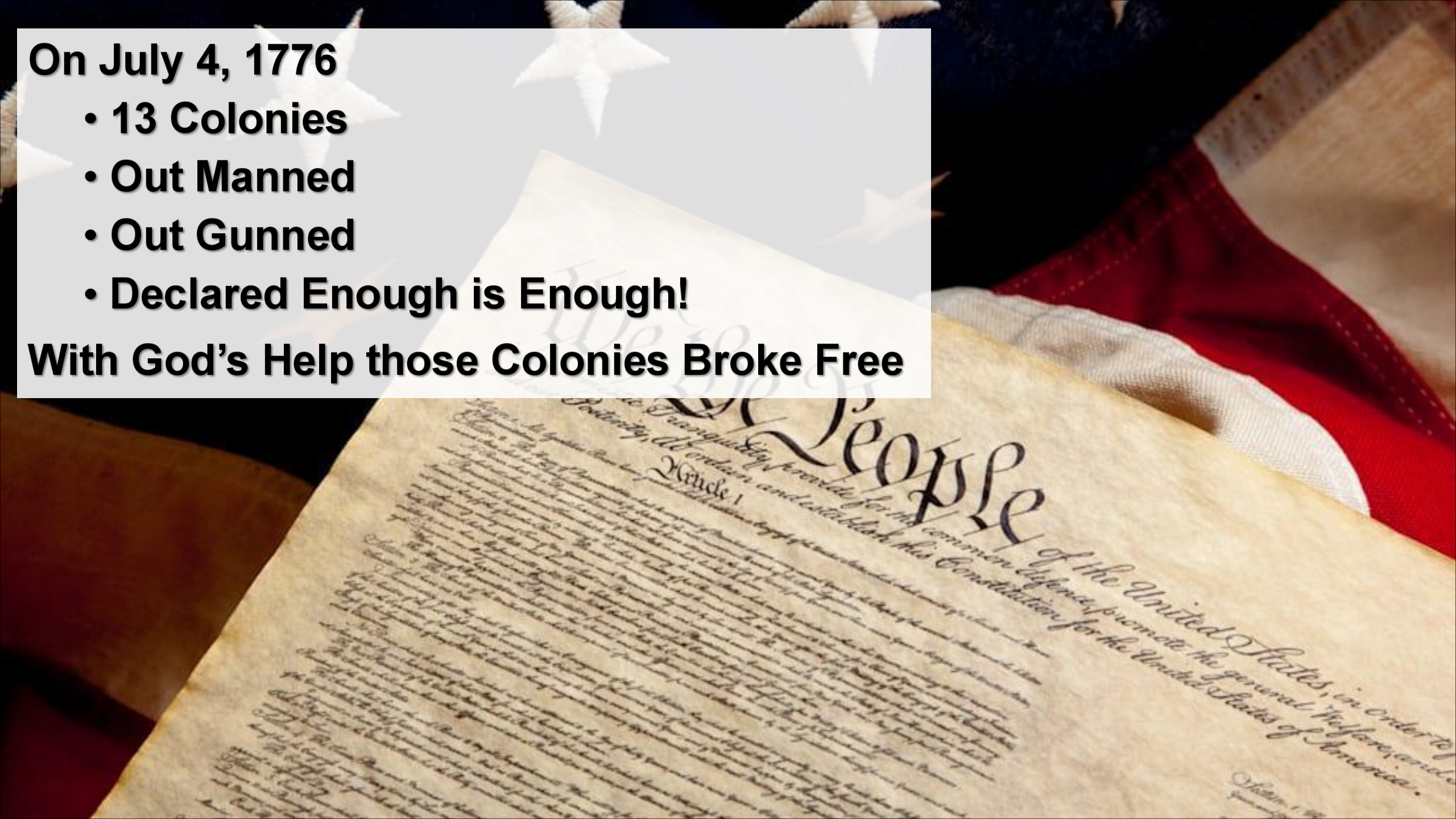
of the United States, in order to
the general Welfare, provide
for the United States of America.

Done in Convention
the 17th day of September 1787

On July 4, 1776

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- **Out Gunned**
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Today

- **In Our Own Strength**
- **Out Manned**
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- **Time to Declare Enough is Enough!**

With God's Help We Can Brake Free

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...Then it Explodes into Our Lives Like a Tidal Wave

It Locks us Down

Knocks Out of Spiritual Balance

Although it Starts with One ...

...It Affects Every Relationship

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☐ Unforgiveness Binds (22)

- ***Command – State of Spt Revolt***
- ***Matt 6:12, “Forgive debts as we forgive”***

☐ Unforgiveness Blinds (31)

- ***Hinders our Relationship w- God / Others***
- ***Matt 6:15, “if not forgive, he will not forgive”***

☐ Unforgiveness Grinds (34)

- ***Torment***

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• **Forgiveness is Not Excusing Offense**

“Others still acct for their actions or lack of actions”

• **Forgiveness Doesn't Mean Things Go Back As Before**

It Doesn't Always Lead to Reconciliation

NOT

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- **Forgiveness is a “2 Step Process”**
 - **Immediate -*decision***
 - **On-Going -*process***
- **Forgiveness is Truly “Modeling Christ”**
- **Forgiveness Works “Beyond Reconciliation”**

Forgiveness

vs

Reconciliation

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Forgiveness is a Decision to Release Offender

-Rec'n is the Effort to Rejoin the Offender

**Forgiveness is Unconditional, Regardless of a Lack of
Repentance of the Other**

...Reconciliation is Conditional Based on

...Repentance and

...Change of Behavior

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Unforgiveness Brings Danger

- **Leads to Anger -**

- **Unresolved Anger Leads to Bitterness**

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

*Neither give place to the devil. **Ephesians 4:26-27***

- **Battle** –all become angry
- **Bottled** –sun go down wrath(rage> bitterness)
- **Blown Out** –Place to Devil(diablos-accuser)

- **Unforgiveness Builds a Wall**
...Forgiveness Builds a Bridge
- **Changes Our Status from**
...Victim to Victor

**REVENGE, DIG TWO
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**WHILE SEEKING
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AMEN

A close-up, slightly angled view of the top of the original Declaration of Independence document. The parchment is aged and yellowed. The words "We the People" are written in a large, elegant cursive script. Below this, smaller text is visible, including the word "Preamble" and the beginning of the opening sentence: "We the Representatives of the United States of America, in General Convention, do hereby declare...". The document is resting on a dark surface, and a person's hand is partially visible in the background, holding the paper.

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