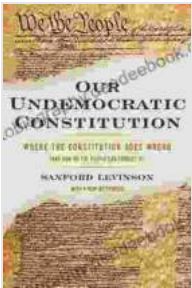


Where The Constitution Goes Wrong And How We The People Can Correct It



Our Undemocratic Constitution: Where the Constitution Goes Wrong (And How We the People Can Correct It)

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The Constitution is a flawed document. It was written by a group of wealthy, white men who were more concerned with protecting their own interests than with creating a government that would be fair and just for all. As a result, the Constitution contains a number of provisions that have been used to justify discrimination, inequality, and the suppression of dissent.

One of the most glaring flaws in the Constitution is the Electoral College. The Electoral College is a system in which the president is elected by a group of electors, who are chosen by the voters in each state. This system gives disproportionate power to small states, and it has led to several presidents being elected who did not win the popular vote. For example, in

2016, Donald Trump won the presidency even though he lost the popular vote by nearly 3 million votes.

Another major flaw in the Constitution is the way it allows for the suppression of dissent. The First Amendment to the Constitution guarantees freedom of speech, but this right has been repeatedly curtailed by the Supreme Court. For example, in 1919, the Supreme Court upheld the conviction of Socialist Party leader Eugene V. Debs for speaking out against World War I. In recent years, the Supreme Court has also upheld laws that restrict protests and demonstrations.

The Constitution also contains a number of provisions that have been used to justify discrimination. For example, the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment has been used to uphold laws that discriminate on the basis of race, gender, and sexual orientation. In 1896, the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of segregation in the case of *Plessy v. Ferguson*. It wasn't until 1954, in the case of *Brown v. Board of Education*, that the Supreme Court finally ruled that segregation was unconstitutional.

Despite its flaws, the Constitution is a valuable document that has served as the foundation of our government for over 200 years. However, it is important to recognize the flaws in the Constitution and to work to correct them. We can do this by passing amendments to the Constitution, by lobbying our elected officials, and by engaging in civil disobedience.

How We The People Can Correct It

We the people can correct the flaws in the Constitution by:

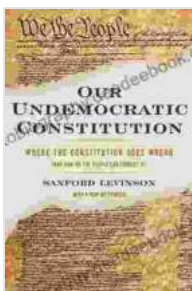
- Passing amendments to the Constitution

- Lobbying our elected officials
- Engaging in civil disobedience

Passing amendments to the Constitution is the most direct way to correct its flaws. However, this is a difficult process that requires the support of two-thirds of Congress and three-quarters of the states. Lobbying our elected officials is another way to bring about change. By contacting our representatives and senators, we can let them know our concerns and urge them to support legislation that will correct the flaws in the Constitution.

Civil disobedience is a more radical form of protest that involves breaking the law in order to bring about change. Civil disobedience has been used throughout history to fight for social justice and to challenge unjust laws. For example, the civil rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s was largely based on civil disobedience. By participating in civil disobedience, we can show our commitment to correcting the flaws in the Constitution and to creating a more just and equitable society.

The Constitution is a flawed document, but it is a valuable document that has served as the foundation of our government for over 200 years. We the people can correct the flaws in the Constitution by passing amendments, lobbying our elected officials, and engaging in civil disobedience. By working together, we can create a more just and equitable society for all.



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