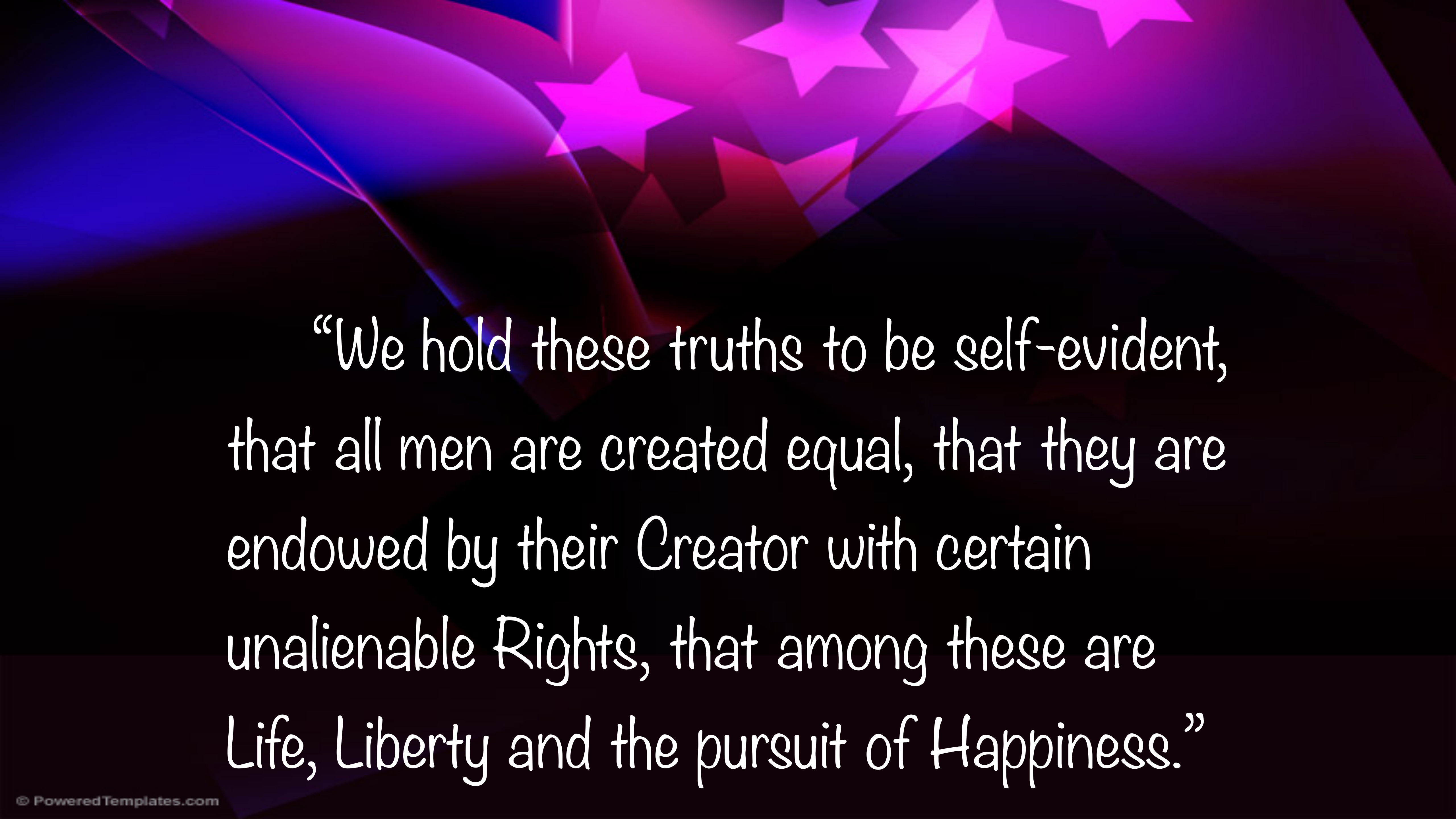


Some Independence Day Prophetic Reflection

**Jesus, the Dragon & the One True Inalienable
Right**

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“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Rev. 12:1 ¶ A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars;

Rev. 12:2 and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.

Rev. 12:3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads were seven diadems.

Rev. 12:4 ... the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born.



Rev. 12:5

**And she gave birth to a son, a male child,
who is to rule all the nations with a rod
of iron; and her child was caught up to
God and to His throne.**



Rev. 12:6

**Then the woman fled into the wilderness
where she had a place prepared by God,
so that there she would be nourished for
one thousand two hundred and sixty days.**



Rev. 12:7

¶ And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back,



Rev. 12:8

**and they were not strong enough, and
there was no longer a place found for
them in heaven.**

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:1

¶ And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. ¶ Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:2

And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:4

**they worshiped the dragon
because he gave his authority to
the beast; and they worshiped
the beast, saying, “Who is like
the beast, and who is able to
wage war with him?”**

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:7

¶ It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:8

All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.


Rev. 12:13 ¶ And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

Rev. 12:14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.




Rev. 12:15

And the serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood.

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- ★ **“Flood?” Water/People – Persecution**
 - ★ **Complete Religious Intolerance**
 - ★ **Beast had complete control from**
 - ★ **early 500 to 1500 C.E.**

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- ★ **Reformation begins early 1500's**
 - ★ **By 1600 had 83 years to change Europe**
 - ★ **No change – got worse**

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- ★ **By 1600 all religious space is completely used up.**
 - ★ **Why? Medieval mentality of one nation – one faith.**
 - ★ **Belief that ecclesiastical uniformity was essential to political peace & health**



★ **The Flood Almost Completes its
Job**

God's Plan

Rev. 12:16

**But the earth helped the woman,
and the earth opened its mouth
and drank up the river which
the dragon poured out of his
mouth.**

God's Plan



The Earth Opens Up



Gives the Woman Room



**The New World Gives Space
for Religious experimentation**



**“The Bloody Tenant of Persecution”
by Roger Williams**



**Call for separation of church
and state.**



**He negates the belief that
ecclesiastical uniformity was
essential to political peace &
health**

Founding Fathers' Plan

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:11

¶ Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:12

He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:13

He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.

The Dragon's Plan

Rev. 13:15

**And it was given to him to give
breath to the image of the
beast, so that the image of the
beast would even speak and
cause as many as do not
worship the image of the beast
to be killed.**

