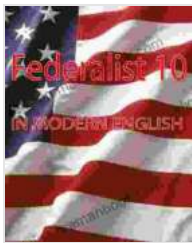


Federalist 10: A Modern English Translation

by Zach Abraham

Federalist 10 is one of the most important essays in American history. It was written by James Madison in 1787 and argues for the ratification of the new Constitution. Madison's arguments in Federalist 10 are still relevant today, and the essay is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand American politics.



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In Federalist 10, Madison argues that the new Constitution is necessary to protect the United States from two main threats: foreign invasion and domestic insurrection. Madison argues that the new Constitution will create a stronger national government that will be able to defend the country from foreign invasion. He also argues that the new Constitution will create a more stable and orderly government that will be able to prevent domestic insurrection.

Madison's arguments in Federalist 10 are based on his understanding of human nature. Madison believes that human beings are naturally selfish and ambitious. He argues that this selfishness and ambition will lead to conflict and disorder if it is not checked by a strong government. The new Constitution, Madison argues, will create a strong government that will be able to check the selfishness and ambition of individuals and groups.

Madison's arguments in Federalist 10 have been influential in American politics for over two centuries. The framers of the Constitution were heavily influenced by Madison's arguments, and the Constitution itself reflects many of the ideas that Madison put forward in Federalist 10. The Supreme Court has also relied on Madison's arguments in Federalist 10 in many of its decisions. In short, Federalist 10 is a foundational document in American history and politics.

A Modern English Translation of Federalist 10

The following is a modern English translation of Federalist 10:

Among the numerous advantages promised by a well-constructed Union, none deserves to be more accurately developed than its tendency to break and control the violence of faction.

A faction is defined as a number of citizens, whether a majority or a minority of the whole, who are united and actuated by some common impulse of passion, or of interest, adverse to the rights of other citizens, or to the permanent and aggregate interests of the community.

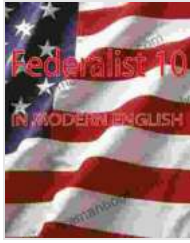
There are two methods of curing the mischiefs of faction: the one, by removing its causes; the other, by controlling its effects.

There are again two methods of removing the causes of faction: the one, by destroying the liberty which is essential to its existence; the other, by giving to every citizen the same opinions, the same passions, and the same interests.

It could not be a serious proposal to attain the first object; for, besides being morally and politically wrong, the end is unattainable. No legislative act, no fiscal regulation, no judicial decision, can be made to embrace completely the various situations of particular individuals. Hence, the diversity in the faculties of men, from which the rights of property originate, is not less an insuperable obstacle to a uniformity of interests. The protection of these various and unequal faculties of acquiring property, which is the first object of government, cannot be effected without the protection of property itself; and without the gradual accumulation and distribution of wealth, from the soil to the inhabitants. This cannot be done but by the encouragement of industry; and to encourage industry, there must be freedom in the disposal of its products.

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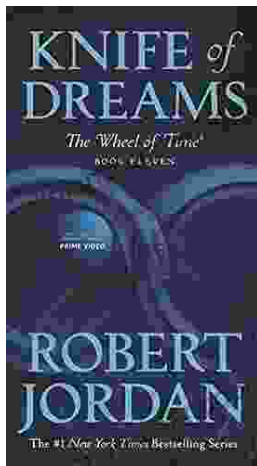
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