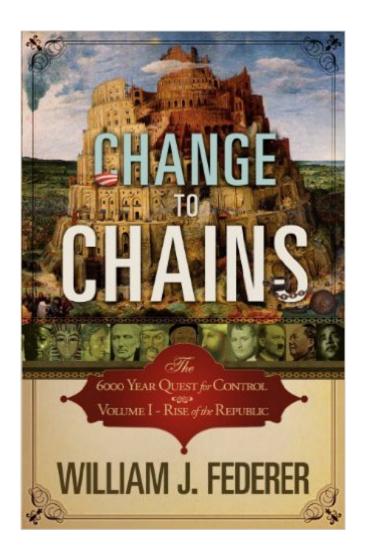
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Synopsis

How did past civilizations rise and fall? How rare is America's experiment with a republic? With every crisis, is power being taken away from "the people" and transferred to the central government. Does history give us a clue as to where all this is all headed? George Washington warned in his Farewell Address, 1796: "Disorders and miseries...gradually incline the minds of men to seek security and repose in the absolute power of an Individual...[who] turns this disposition to the purposes of his own elevation, on the ruins of Public...and thus to create, whatever the form of government, a real despotism." Ronald Reagan stated at St. John's University, NY, March 28, 1985: "Government that is big enough to give you everything you want is more likely to simply take everything you've got." Woodrow Wilson warned in New York, 1912: "The history of Liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it. When we resist, therefore, the concentration of power, we are resisting the powers of death, because concentration of power is what always precedes the destruction of human liberties." In the nearly 6,000 years of recorded human history, power, like gravity, seems to inevitably concentrate into the hands of one individual, sometimes called pharoah, caesar, czar, kaiser, king, emperor, monarch, sultan, president or communist dictator. No matter what the autocratic leader's particular title is, the default setting for human government throughout history has most often been monarchy. When power is concentrated, the State is supreme. When power is separated, the individual is supreme. America's founders had a unique window of opportunity in the long train of world history, to maximize the freedom and opportunity of the individual. Ronald Reagan stated in 1961: "In this country of ours took place the greatest revolution that has ever taken place in the world's history... Every other revolution simply exchanged one set of rulers for another." Is past behavior the best indicator of future performance? What can we expect? Find out as world history comes alive from a whole new perspective in "Change to Chains - the 6000 year quest for control - Volume I: Rise of the Republic."

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In typical Federer fashion "Change to Chains" uses an array of quotes and historical references examines the exercise of power in human government throughout history. If you want to understand what is happening within our own government, "Change to Chains" will help to provide illumination. As Americans, we are unaccustomed to living under a Monarch and take so many of our freedoms and God-Given rights for granted. A stark contrast is made between our Republic and a Monarchy - which has been the default form of government throughout human history. Read this book to help you understand how unique and special a Republic is. And not just any type of republican government, but a government under God. Why is it so important to have a republic under God? Because, as Federer makes the case, without God, then the state becomes the supreme authority (and in effect a god to itself) and we are a nation under the will of men, rather than God. This book should be purchased with its companion book "Lessons in History" by Will and Ariel Durant, which is quoted extensively.

This book is a quality source of information regarding the history of government. You learn about the evolution of monarchies, communism, despotism and democracy and repuplics. You will be pounded with quotations from Plato, Aristotle. Machiavelli, Montesquieu, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, Ben Franklin, FDR, James Madison and many many more! To view various forms and attempts of governments around the globe in large empires and little city-states is really learn how our own governments is supposed to work and why it succeeds and fails. I feel like this is more of a college course than a book to read cover-to-cover. I have finished it and will likely read it a second time in an attempt to retain more knowledge. It should be studied rather than read. I really like it and recomend it to all! It would be an excellent book for an awakening political mind.

People giving up liberties for security is our biggest threat. As the book says, one sure way to get 100% security is to go to jail (housing, healthcare, food), however you will have to forgo your Liberties. On the opposite end of that you have Anarchy. When the constitution was written we where close to Anarchy, very few laws and plenty of Liberty. At the end of our rein as the worlds

super power (which is inevitable) we will be imprisoned (or close to it). Anyone can see that each year we give up more Liberties for safety and security and progress further down that line away from Anarchy towards Tierney. Like Jefferson's quote implies, People need to realize that once they trade their Liberties for Security then they will lose their Security as well.

With the 2012 elections just around the corner, this is a book every person in America should have already read. I believe our freedom is on the line and this book shows the historical parralles. This book is fact filled and riveting in the stockpile of historical information. Get yourself a copy and read it now!

Full of juicy information about the USA, William Federer is wonderful cannot get enough of his mind, you can also subscribe to him on American minute as well as FB for his other stuff loved it all keep up the good work, your work is refreshing and a big blessing, This book should be compulsory reading for all High school students and UCLA interns, this way the Intern will see what destruction they are doing to a wonderful country like America, and the High School student will have a chance to think before they get to Uni

While the information presented is very intriguing and represents a great effort at consolidating that information I found the format used to be a bit odd. It strikes me as a book full of end notes and lists of quotes. I've never read any of Mr. Federer's work before. I bought this after watching an interview on Book TV. I'd read reviews before purchasing another of his books.

This is a very good book, everyone should read it, it's a very interesting eye opener. All book by William Fererer are interesting and good.

I watch the program William Federer has on TCT. I have learned a lot about history and the part Christianity has played through the years. This book is only one of many the Federer has written. All Christians will learn a lot by reading this book and others by this author.

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