

# FIGHTING CHANCE

*John 8: 31-32*

*Proverbs 22: 3*

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*I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just. That His justice cannot sleep forever.*

Thomas Jefferson

## TAX SUPPORTED VIOLENCE

In many previous issues of this newsletter, we have described our various efforts to encourage a sensible defense policy by our federal government in Washington, D.C.

We have initiated legislation, worked with the government to distribute civil defense information throughout America, built mobile civil defense displays in cooperation with the government, strongly supported strategic defense, and taken other similar actions.

Even in a military action about which we had reservations, the Gulf War, we did all that we could to help our country. The rifle bag project was an effort for which we received letters of thanks from both President Bush and his Secretary of Defense.

At the same time, we have been critical of the failures within government programs to provide for the common defense of the American people - the most important responsibility for which that government was established by the Founding Fathers and empowered and constrained by the U.S. Constitution.

Last November we were strongly critical of President Bush for his very unwise decision to destroy America's tactical nuclear weapons. Since an election was imminent, however, we delayed sending that newsletter until after the election.

We have viewed our government as rational but wrong in its defense policies. We have done all that we can as American citizens to work toward the correction of these errors.

What do we do now?

Does the United States even have a government?

President Reagan was correct when he referred to the Soviet Union as an "evil empire." Can the continual stream of atrocities flowing from the current executive branch of the American government be referred to in the similar terms? Are there any polite adjectives to describe what these people are doing?

The greatest criticism that we can now make of President Bush is that he conducted himself in such a way as to allow the election of the current administration.