## THE CONSTITUTION

So why is the Constitution of the United States so important? Simply put, the Constitution is important because it protects our individual freedom and its fundamental principles govern the United States. The Constitution places the government's power in the hands of the citizens, not the other way around. It limits the power of the government and establishes a system of checks and balances.

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## **EARN THIS NUGGET**

Read through the Constitution and make notes as you are reading it. You need to present five things to your family that either surprised you or you think might surprise the average person.

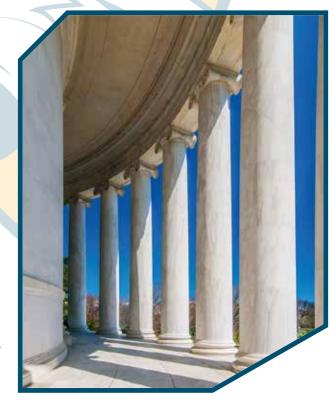
Just listen to the way it starts:

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

So with such an important document, you'd think that everyone would read it.

But the sad reality is that few people bother to read this foundational document. You, my friend, are going to be an exception.

It's easy to find a copy of the Constitution, either online or at your local library.



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This document affects you every day. It only makes sense for you know what it contains.

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