

Is democracy in decline?

Polite democracy may be declining

Orderly vs. disorderly

How much disorder can democracy take?



Strongman tends to lean towards
liberalism

Separated, semi-skilled, sympathizers

60% of arrests from Jan. 6th

-bankrupt - haven't paid taxes

-unhinged, chaotic lives

Democracy is fundamentally messy



How do we preserve it?

Should we preserve it?

Self-rule

Elect someone to speak for them

The sanctity of the vote

What if we don't like our options?

CC Who pays for elections?
People want what they paid for.

Is the democratic system corrupted by money?

- unequal playing field
- campaign fundraising
- pressure on private citizens / companies to provide funding



Power corrupts more than money

Democracy must be taught

1. Self-rule
2. Speech / thought
3. Assemble / vote
4. Choose occupations / where to live
5. Limitations on governance



Self Rule

Limitations on free money

Age limits

Term limits

Corrective actions for democracies



The Power of Personality