

Tom Woods on the Trump Assassination Attempt and the Risk of Civil War

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SUMMARY

The discussion revolves around the potential for civil unrest in the U.S., particularly in light of political tensions and recent events, including an assassination attempt on Donald Trump. The speaker expresses a deep attachment to the U.S. but prioritizes freedom over that attachment, suggesting that while there are signs of division, a civil war is unlikely due to the general populace's lack of interest in armed conflict.

- The speaker values freedom over national attachment and believes that if forced to choose, freedom would prevail.*
- Despite signs of division, the speaker thinks most people are not inclined to take up arms.*
- The speaker leans towards the idea of inertia, expecting American life to remain relatively stable despite political drift.*
- Concerns are raised about the current political leadership, particularly regarding Biden's health and functionality.*
- The potential for violence is acknowledged, comparing it to historical events in Eastern Europe, but the speaker doubts the mechanics of a civil war in modern America.*
- The speaker highlights the importance of coexistence among differing political views, questioning the feasibility of a civil war along political lines.*
- There is skepticism about the loudest voices representing the majority, suggesting that most people prefer peaceful coexistence over violent conflict.*

Civil War Donald Trump's attempted assassination is going to cause that to be a louder part of our discourse how do you think about that I do have a romantic attachment to the United States as it exists I don't want it to break up no I hear you I have that same attachment but but in principle freedom is more important to me than that attachment if it ever if it ever came down to that then I would have

to say I have to give up one for the sake of the other um do you think we're close to that I don't even though PE it there are a lot of signs that point that way but I think these are a lot of blowhards I think most people have zero interest in taking up arms and wouldn't be good at it wouldn't know what to do um I my money is on that not happening now on the other hand I'm actually going

to risk saying on U an episode that could come out and embarrass me but just to show that I am willing to go out on a limb I I likewise I I tend to go with inertia I if I don't know exactly what's going to happen I tend to assume it'll probably be roughly the same and I think American life will probably be roughly the same it might continue to drift in ways I don't approve of but I don't

think there'll be uh Civil War any more than I think Biden will drop out now I could be wrong about that and it'll look bad but just go to show I'm a human being who makes mistakes and doesn't mind letting you know that he might make mistakes only because I think it would be it would there are insurmountable obstacles right now this is what we face now right in 2024 we Face someone who I'm just going to say most likely

appears to be suffering suffer suffering from degenerative Parkinson's disease or something akin to it and is not functional in a way that threatens Safety and Security of the Nation on the global stage but he's available from 10 to four if he need he is he is so you know just he can't use Hillary Clinton's old uh old ad against Obama who would you rather have you know remember that who would you rather have ready ready to

answer the phone at 3:00 a.m. like I guess you know it's not in 4k so I guess they wouldn't want to use it anyway but that one's off the table yeah that's here and the and the and the guy who is um running against him who is a deeply flawed person just faced an assassination attempt a very credible one that's where we are in America today what if it's not inertia what if what's going to come

next is is the the heat boiling over what do you think that would look like like let's play fictional fictional future for a minute that's hard for me to do and I'm not sure I can it could be a case of the police can't contain violence that now is breaking out between people who are partisans of one side or the other the police are incapable of of handling it so in that

way it could be akin to what happened in the uh some of the Soviet block States when when uh in 1989 when enormous crowds would appear and either the the police would e either side with the protesters or they just were completely outnumbered there was nothing they could do they were completely outnumbered but that had a nice peaceful ending but what if they're completely outnumbered and that just means that we just keep going at each other until somebody

raises a white flag I mean I don't want to live in that I the thing I don't understand about this and especially the extent to which some people almost fetishize it is that yes there's been political sorting Texas and Florida have gotten more red California and New York have gotten more blue but we still all live together with each other you know what does an American Civil War in the 21 Century even mean if it's along political lines

I don't like how would you go about doing that do all the all the right Wingers like flood the zone to to to Texas and it's sort of like but this is why I think it's Pakistan's formation which was pretty darn bloody and awful you know in which populations just shift I don't see how I don't see how the mechanics of it play out that's why that's one of the reasons I think it's implausible but but the main reason is

that we tend to hear the loudest voices and I think there are a lot of voices out there who say okay look I don't like Trump either but For Heaven's Sake I like Trump more than I like uh shooting my neighbor in the head you know so I mean that's why I think it'll it it probably won't happen if you like this clip we've got so much more where that came from so be sure to hit that like button subscribe

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