George Washington Condemns The Illuminati

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Many people today have little remembrance of just how great an American hero George Washington was. He was truly an 18th century Joshua for the Saxon Israel family of people that migrated from Europe to North America to begin a new life without the danger of tyranny from oppressive Kings and churches. Yet there has been some controversy as to Washington's (and other early patriots) connection with the Masonic Order.

In understanding the controversy about Masons being among the early American patriots, it's true, some were Masons. However it is important to grasp the purpose of the first Masonic lodges in Europe, <u>before</u> they were infiltrated by Illuminati agents over time. Why precisely were private Masonic lodges organized in the first place? The historic answer is that the European Masons were based on the then common necessary practice of preventing undesirable elements from debauching and ruining skilled labor crafts that were needed to better preserve civilized society. Towns, cities, and entire regions of Europe were dependent upon quality craftsmanship in all manner of professions in order to run an orderly community where the people could purchase fine goods/services that would provide a stable home-life for their families. This included such artistry as clothes making, book printing, bakery products, cart & wagon building, well digging, glass making, etc. etc. ---- and included stone cutting with masonry skills. (Thus, Masons - who were master stone building constructors)

"Guilds started as small associations of skilled artisans, experienced and confirmed experts in their field of handicraft. Over time they developed into larger, formal associations accepted by the governments of their countries. They had strict membership requirements, setting standards of quality and pricing, and maintaining a structured training system of apprenticeship that enabled young craftsmen to inherit the skills of the older masters. --- The guilds also maintained funds in order to support infirm or elderly members, as well as widows and orphans of guild members, funeral benefits, and a 'tramping' allowance for those needing to travel to find work." [<u>A History of Guilds From the Medieval Era</u>, M.A. McIntosh, Jan.27, 2020]

"Masons in Medieval England were responsible for building some of England's most famous buildings. Masons were highly skilled craftsmen and their trade was most frequently used in the building of castles, churches and cathedrals. Masons were highly skilled craftsmen and they belonged to a guild." [Historylearningsite.co.uk Dec. 16 2022]

In order that totally shoddy workmanship did not become the "norm", these private guilds were formed by masters in their craft who spent a lifetime in honing their skills to an amazing level. Those of you who are old enough to remember what hand made Swiss watches were like surely get the idea. These private guilds met in places called lodges where the masters would set requirements for young men who wanted to learn a trade with the utmost proficiency. Young apprentices were pledged to follow the teachings of the elder masters and learn the trade with diligence and pride (in the noble meaning) that would result in only the finest products being made for the community. Masons (stone workers) were among the most important of guilds since any building of large cathedrals, castles, property walls, livery stables, or other needed edifices had to be constructed properly and with the utmost care. These masonic lodges had absolutely no aspirations in conspiring to advance socialist propaganda or working to usher in some new world political utopia. They were workman guilds. However in order to keep their trades passed on to qualified apprentices all guilds did have "trade secrets" that were held very much in private. Only guild members were taught these secrets of their respective professions.

The European craft guilds also did not want their professions to fall into the hands of those who would take advantage of their hard earned knowledge so as to rob them of the fruits of their labor. Thus the guilds had highly guarded memberships into their lodges and kept out people who would unintentionally or deliberately destroy the guild. Jews were among those who the first Masons and other guilds banned from becoming apprentices or members in any form within the guild/lodge. The Jews complained about it then and still critique the original guild lodges' discrimination against them. The below statement to wit:

"The guilds of the Middle Ages in Europe were thoroughly Christian in character and the Jew had no place in them. Since few Jews in Ashkenaz practiced crafts, they did not organize their own guilds, while the Jewish merchants <u>were restricted</u> in their professions and arranged their affairs through the general communal regulations." [Jewish Virtual Library, online - article: <u>Guilds</u>]

The above observation included the Masons. They were originally guilds where skilled Christians protected their handiwork. The fact that these guilds were much later infiltrated by nefarious politically motivated groups such as Adam Weishaupt's Illuminati does not negate the fact that the Masonic guild was originally organized for the benevolence of Christian society, which the guild postulated would be for the betterment of the world as a whole. Weishaupt's Illuminati didn't arrive until 1776, the same year that Americans decided to risk all and cut the cord with Europe. European masonry guilds and lodges had been in full operation for hundreds of years before 1776.

In the late 1790's the guild societies became flooded with Illuminati activists who then, as now, seek to undermine nations in favor of a supposed "world utopia". With this infiltration the once stable guilds became monopolistic, opposing free trade concepts and began to influence governments with their new philosophical ideas. The guild centered economy of Europe was replaced by social idealist experiments in government by activists using the long established guilds as a forum to transition into their "New Age". Thus the guilds that were originally established to better the community evolved into corrupt agencies of non-Christian influence and monopolies. This had happened within close proximity of the time that the American Revolution was about to take place.

When European colonization of America began the Masons of the new USA were not Illuminati but rather were still beholding to the private secret endeavors to keep out scoundrels just as the original guilds of Europe had done (before they were overrun by subversives). To put it in a nutshell, the Masonic Order of Europe was not always "the bad guy", although it later became so. America held out much longer than did Europe in keeping a good agenda within Masonry, but after the generation of George Washington and the early American patriots had passed, American Masonry caved in to the socialist new world program. But to paint a picture of George Washington as being an Illuminati Mason is both inaccurate and unfair to the man's reputation. Yes he was a Mason. No he was not Illuminati. Washington himself knew that Illuminati infiltration had already begun in his lifetime where the Masons were concerned. He vehemently disapproved of this sad occurrence.

A clergyman, G.W. Snyder, of Federicktown, Maryland, had sent President Washington a book <u>Proofs of a Conspiracy</u> which set forth concerns that Freemasonry, along with other influences, was being used to undermine the new USA Republic. Washington didn't have time to read it immediately but had sent a reply to the Pastor. Snyder wrote back. A misunderstanding of Washington's first reply was then followed by another letter by the President to the clergy Snyder. Below is President Washington's 2nd reply to Pastor Synder. (underline added)

Mount Vernon 24 October, 1798

Revd Sir: I have your favor of the 17th. instant before me; and my only motive to trouble you with the receipt of this letter, is to explain, and correct a mistake which I perceive the hurry in which I am obliged, often, to write letters, have led you into.

It was not my intention to doubt that, the Doctrines of the Illuminati, and principles of Jacobinism had not spread in the United States. <u>On the contrary, no one is more truly</u> satisfied of this fact than I am.

The idea that I meant to convey, was, that I did not believe that the Lodges of Free Masons in this Country had, as Societies, endeavoured to propagate the <u>diabolical</u> <u>tenets</u> of the first, or <u>pernicious principles</u> of the latter (if they are susceptible of seperation). That Individuals of them may have done it, or that the founder, or instrument employed to found, the Democratic Societies in the United States, may have had these objects; and actually had a seperation of the People from their Government in view, <u>is too evident to be questioned</u>.

My occupations are such, that but little leisure is allowed me to read News Papers, or Books of any kind; the reading of letters, and preparing answers, absorb much of my time. With respect, I remain sir, etc.

(signed) Go. Washington [source: <u>Washington the Man and the Mason</u>; 1913, Charles N. Callahan]

What we see here is proof of the fact that George Washington new full well that the Illuminati was infiltrating lodges in America, that he was concerned about it, and called the Illuminati masons "diabolical and pernicious". The President also pointed out that the Freemason American lodges were not established as Illuminati subversive lodges, which coincides and confirms what was happening in Europe, namely, the old lodges were being taken over. Those who constantly comment about the portrait of George Washington in Masonic garb need to comprehend these events as they were unfolding in history. It is error to equate modern Freemasonry with the original stone cutter Mason Guilds and early lodges both in Europe and America. There were great differences.

The real "diabolical" people are those who have hidden these records of history from present Americans for the purpose of causing concerned Americans today to hate our national foundations on the false assumption that "the Founders were evil Masons", and that the Founders were colluding with internationalists to destroy Christianity in America. Ironic to say the least, but this is part of the "self hate" psychological warfare being conducted against our people. The Christian Masons of Washington's early years had not a thing to do with the Adam Weishaupt Masons who were forcing their way into the lodges. They were, in truth, on the opposite ends of the political spectrum.

Here are some other things to keep in mind about General/President George Washington:

The assumption that Washington and the other Founding Fathers were deists and not Christians has no basis in reality. There is not one single writing of Washington where he makes the claim that he was a deist. The late 1700's American patriot leaders were intelligent men who were quite capable of thinking outside of the denominational 4 churches' criteria. The entrenched churches have always been a block against free thinking. Establishment clergy lean heavily toward convincing their congregations to only listen to the clergy's "expertise" and to never question church dogma. Well, the Christian Founding Fathers did not buy into that type of rationale. They *did* question the churches, and they did think upon their own reasoning. It does not mean that they were non-Christian deists. Nearly all of the early Americans of that era were Christians whether they agreed 100% down the line on doctrine or not. Many independent searching Christians today want nothing to do with organized religion and have a wide variety of concepts about "God" or "The Supreme Being" or certain "Bible translations". A person can surely still be a Christian and question long held church philosophies. Such were the men such as Washington, Franklin, Adams, Henry, et.al. When these men referred to the Creator as Architect of the Universe, Rulers of Nations, Great Director of Events, The Great Author of the Universe, and other similar titles, are we to judge their nomenclature and say that God is none of these? For America's Founding Fathers the only God they recognized was the God of the Christian Bible. To them the Bible defined our authority for responsibility toward God and man.

When General Washington took office as President on April 30, 1789 he did so by laying his hand on the Bible. The Bible was opened to Genesis chapter 49 where Jacob had gathered his sons to give them a prophecy about their family descendants in the last days. After Washington took the oath of office as President he did something else. He bent over and kissed the Bible. The Christian Bible. This was the leader of the Revolutionary forces that defeated the most powerful army of its day – the British Royal Crown Army. It is no wonder that George Washington was the only President that did not run for office under any political party. And he was the only President who was ever elected unanimously by every single member of the Electoral College. Americans knew George Washington and knew he was an honorable Christian. Washington was a student of the Bible. It was on October 3rd, 1789, that President Washington announced a proclamation that America would have a national day of Thanksgiving on November 26th. October 3rd happens to be the first day of the Israelite Feast of Tabernacles on the Saxon Israelite Solar calendar used by Moses, the prophets, and ancient Israel. November 26th is day <u>9</u> of month <u>9</u> on that same Israel Biblical calendar. The number 9 is representative of The Holy Spirit (9 gifts of The Holy Spirit I Cor. 12:1-11; and 9 fruits of The Holy Spirit Gal. 5:22,23). George Washington knew much more about the Holy Bible than his present-day critics do, who claim he was a deist. He also knew that only by God's Holy Spirit did America defeat this nation's enemy. For that Washington decreed a day to thank The Almighty and the Spirit He sent to help the patriots do the impossible. [It was Lincoln and FDR who changed Washington's Thanksgiving day of the yearly November 26th memorial to that of the 4thThursday in November which most times does *not* fall of the 26th, that is, day 9, month 9, of the Holy Israelite Calendar in remembrance of The Holy Spirit.]

Historical studies in ethnology and migration accounts have recorded that parts of the Eastern tribes of American Indians were of white ancestry and descended from seafarers of ancient Europe and Israelite Palestine, while the Indian tribes west of the Mississippi were mainly from Asian and/or Central American migrations many centuries ago. Washington sent a letter to only a few eastern Indian tribes encouraging them to assimilate back into our culture and to follow Jesus Christ. Liberal defamers of the Founding Fathers attempt to present a case that Washington didn't write the letter, rather an aide of Washington's did. But it matters not if Washington wrote it or dictated it to an aide. The fact is that that George Washington heartily approved the letter and personally signed it with his full consent and knowledge before having it delivered to the Delaware Indians.*^{SEE FOOTNOTE} It would do well to remember what he told the Delaware Indian Chiefs by that letter when they asked for his advice about teaching their children. He wrote to them they would benefit greatly to "learn our way of life and arts, but above all, the religion of Jesus Christ. This will make you a greater and happier person than you are." (Address to the Delaware Indian Chiefs, May 12, 1779, John Fitzpatrick, The Writings of George Washington, Vol. XV, 1932, p. 55). Was George Washington a Christian? Most assuredly he was. Did he speak much concerning his personal views about Christianity? No, he was quite private and reserved about it, choosing to avoid all of the entrapment that comes along with arguing over religion. In this he was probably the wiser of the society whose members always want to lecture concerning how their view of Jesus and Christianity is the "right one". Washington chose to not be involved in that historically endless debate that usually results in the division between friends. He kept quite a bit of his religious views to himself. [*Footnote – for the sake of accuracy there is no verifiable record of the actual complexion appearance of these few selected Indians so it is left up to the reader to form his own conclusion]

On October 19, 1777, he wrote a letter to General Israel Putman, whose wife had died. Washington said: "I am extremely sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Putnam and sympathize with you upon the occasion. Remember that all must die and that she had lived to an honorable age; I hope you will bear the misfortune with that fortitude and complacency of mind that become a man <u>and a Christian</u>."

During the Revolutionary War General Washington issued these orders to His army on May 2, 1778, : "The Commander in Chief directs that divine service be performed every Sunday at 11 o'clock in those Brigades to which there are Chaplains—those who have none (should) attend the places of worship nearest to them. It is expected that Officers of all Ranks will, by their attendance, set an example to their men. While we are zealously performing the duties of good Citizens and soldiers, we certainly ought not to be inattentive to the higher duties of religion. To the distinguished Character of Patriot, it should be our highest Glory to add the more distinguished Character of Christian."

[*The Papers of George Washington*, Revolutionary War Series, vol. 15, *May–June 1778*,]

Later as President, Washington had a personal secretary, Tobias Lear, who had written memoirs of his days in the President's administration. Lear penned these words: "While President, Washington followed an invariable routine on Sundays. The day was passed very quietly, with no company being invited to the house. After breakfast, the President read aloud a chapter from the Bible, and then the whole family attended church together." There are more testimonies to Washington's Christianity, but these few mentioned should be enough to dispel the claims the he was some type of new age theist. The problem that critics of Washington have, even a few right wing Christian ones, is that they want a Founding Father in George Washington that agrees with *their* specific definition of what a Christian should be. Anything less than their approved version of Christianity condemns a person as being a heretic. These sort will always be with us and we can only pray that they don't ever take over America to install their own version of tyranny and thought-police all in the name of Jesus.

As far as Washington and the Jews go, it becomes another very involved subject. There were a minority scant few in America at that time, mostly Sephardim Jews of Spanish lineage numbering around 1300 in the entire country. They were peddlers of merchant goods. These were not the eastern European Ashkenazi Bolshevik Jews of the early 1900's that began to immigrate in numbers at the turn of the century. (2 million from Russia, Austria-Hungary, Romania between 1880 – 1924). Ashkenazi Jews were politically active in Communist doctrine. Yet Washington (and most everyone then) was under the mistaken assumption that the Sephardim were Abraham's covenant seed line. In other words he thought they were "us" but just not Christian converts at the time. Furthermore there were no Jews in Congress during Washington's administration. The first Jew elected to Congress was in 1845 by the name of David Yulee, a Fla.Senator.

Realistically no Christian lands have ever been purely 100% Christian. This is by God's intention and nobody will change this until Christ Himself returns. Certain non-Christians are here as a divine chastening rod if, when, and to what extent, we disobey God. Jesus Himself said to "let the tares remain among the wheat until the time of the end". (Mat.13:29,30 paraphrased). That is to say, God Himself has decreed this. No matter who the founders are of whatever Christian nation, this will not change until God declares the age to be over. (Zech.14:21). King David, a man after God's heart (Acts 13:22), allowed a minority of Cainites to live within the Kingdom. (I Sam.30:29). The Bible calls them Kenites but that is a mistranslation of pronunciation. They were *Cainites*. (see Strong's H7017, 7014) Why were a few Cainites tolerated in a city of David's rule? Because they were smiths who worked well with metals. Cainite means "smiths". If King David succumbed to the purpose of Yahweh God concerning this situation about "tares" how would George Washington be any different to overcome it?

All national leaders are in over their heads where the Jewish circumstance is concerned and always have been. George Washington and the rest of the Founders did as good as any group of Christian men could possibly do to make America a free land based upon Biblical principles. They weren't perfect but then neither are we. At this point we may ask, precisely who is it that is currently training Americans to hate the early foundation of our Christian Commonwealth USA Republic on the distorted claims that the Founders were "evil men"? Who is it that wants to lump *all* of the stone mason guilds' very long history into the package that "it's all just Illuminati"? And what would be the purpose for these twisters of history to do so? Who benefits if Americans hate America?

Furthermore, you the reader and this author would probably not see any compulsion to join any secret group on the reasoning that we don't need to be involved with it. At the moment I would agree. But place ourselves back in 1776 and the time of the revolution against England and we may have to reconsider the options. Every man that signed the Declaration of Independence was signing his death warrant if the colonies lost the war. The talk about militantly ending abuses of King George upon the colonies could not take place just on every street corner. At least half of the people were loyal to the King of England and would be glad to turn in rebels in a heart beat. Taverns couldn't be used as places to plan strategy either for the same reasons. Repeated meetings at one's residence would equally look suspicious. The lodges served as a good place for patriots who were Masons to meet and discuss dangerous matters. And so they did. Among those who were Masons (remember, not Illuminati Masons) included Washington, Paul Revere, Ben Franklin, John Hancock, James Madison, others. Not only before the war were private lodges used as secure places to gather, but after the war had begun 50 "Military Lodges" were organized for the same guaranteed reasoning to keep plans from falling into enemy hands. If we were there then we might consider whether it would be better to discuss rebellion in the open, or better to hold meetings in private with men pledged to watch each others' backs. George Washington nor any of the patriots at that time had a thing to do with European Illuminism. The fact is that they fought an 8 year war to rid America from the influences of evil that were engulfing the European continent in those days. The revolution was not a Masonic effort, but some of the patriots were Masons.



Portrait: Gen. Washington on his white horse "Blueskin" at the battle of Princeton, NJ.