



JULY 4TH

1 Kings 11:38-39

# DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

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# KING GEORGE

- He made the laws for the colonies and would not sanction their laws – legislative.
- They had no representation through election - executive.
- They were judged at the King's preferred location and by judges favorable to him – judicial.
- He controlled all branches of government.
- Two ways of governing:
  - Talking
  - Force

# CONSTITUTION

- “Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed...”
- Why have a government?
- How do you grant power and control power at the same time?
- Representative government elected by the citizens – those governed.
  - Representatives – 2 years
  - Senators – 6 years
  - President – 4 years

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- Life – John 8:12; 10:10; 20:31
- Liberty – John 8:31-32; Gal. 5:1
- Pursuit of Happiness – Matt. 5:3-11
  - “The Ultimate Gift”
- Psalm 33:12-22