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Subject: Re: Get your ass tracked

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I see no reason why government or politics has to be excessively complex, either. Don't think for a second that I'm in the anarcho-capitalist camp of the libertarian ideology. I take a progressive libertarian stance where I think we should be working to help each other, but I think a lot of privatization is the way to go, and if someone doesn't want to contribute, then that's their choice which then would have its own set of consequences. Yes, government is big and has a greater reach, so theoretically it's the best choice for doing the most good. However, it just ends up being more convoluted and wasteful. Sure, it does some good, but that hardly justifies all the waste and corruption that comes along with it.

I think it's pretty evident that there is a fine line of where government needs to step in and regulate. Personally, I think the federal government needs to be scaled back greatly and let states run themselves independently. Yes, for someone who lives in Michigan, you could use my economy as an example of why this seems foolish, but I look at it as if the federal government plays the role of a parent, controlling (most) every aspect of the child's life then the "child" is never going to be able to function without the safety net the "parent" provides. Maybe some states (even mine) NEED to fail in order to right this ship.

Then again, maybe I wouldn't see federal involvement as big of an issue if we had smarter taxation, like a flat tax on what Americans spend. It would certainly help curtail the out-of-control consumer spending. Who knows, but throwing money and attempting to bandage a broken system without addressing the source isn't doing us any good. It's not going get any better with these bullshit attempts at bi-partisanship, either. Neither side will truly cooperate with the other as both sides are so polarized... talk about not factoring in (fifty) shades of grey.

As much as I would like to agree with fellow libertarians and have even expressed the desire to go back to the original scope of government like it was up until the early 20th century, I accept that the world has changed, and our population is over 300 million, so it's not realistic. Still, that's not a reason to go insane and overspend enough to dig us into a big enough of a hole that it's seemingly impossible to crawl our way out of it and for generations to come.

So, yes, fuck Obama, but not because he's black, and not even because he's a left-wing nutjob communist socialist anti-Christ Muslim foreigner who drinks the blood of puppies and white women and children. I just don't like him, his party, or the two-party system currently running around like chickens with their heads cut off.

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