

Escape the System- Why Bitcoin Is the Only Way Out of Babylon

What's poppin', people?

It's Dante, hopping off the bus, entering the Garden of Eden. Check it out – the *Centennial Arboretum*. This historic park is the heart of Fairmount Park here in Philadelphia, and it's one of the few places where I can fully disconnect from what I like to call **Babylon**.

You know what I mean. The modern city – it's like this chaotic spectacle. An amusing place to witness. And when you're a photographer, just floating through the streets, absorbing it all with intensity – you're inside, but also completely *outside* of it. There's a beautiful detachment that comes from observing instead of participating. It's almost spiritual.

"You feel at home, but you don't belong. You're rooted, but you're free."

I was born and raised here. I live here. I work here. I walk these streets every single day. I make art here. And yet – I don't feel attached to this place.

I don't see Philly as some promised land or paradise. Paradise has to be created by the individual – *within*. You build it yourself. Especially in the city. Because honestly, **the city isn't designed for thriving anymore.**

Cities Used to Be Where Humans Thrive

But now?

Cities are more like systems of control.

Babylon.

We're told how to live. What to do. How to survive.

You want to move forward? Climb the ladder? Well, get in line. Fill out this form. Follow these rules. Be compliant. Be nice. Pay your debt. Don't ask too many questions.

And then you start to see it — the rot.

Philadelphia's trash piled up for two straight weeks because of a city worker strike. Why?

Because the system is broke. **Literally.**

The U.S. keeps raising the debt ceiling. Printing more money. Handing out band-aids for wounds that need surgery.

Meanwhile, the city starts to stink like shit.

This is what happens when the Tower of Babel starts to collapse.

The Illusion of Freedom

We're sold this illusion:

- Salary = security
- Benefits = comfort
- The system = freedom

But all of that is fake. It's *the illusion* of freedom.

You don't own your time. You're not free. You're just slightly less uncomfortable in your cage than the next guy.

And when workers strike, it's like:

"Please, master, make my noose a little softer."

Nah.

You don't need a softer noose. You need to take it off.

Misbehave. Exit. Rebuild.

To truly be free, you gotta misbehave.

You have to exit the system entirely and build a new one.

Not ask for better crumbs — **bake your own bread.**

That's where **Bitcoin** comes in.

Bitcoin isn't about getting rich — that's surface-level thinking.

It's about **spiritual wealth.**

It's about saying no to a broken economic system, and yes to freedom, sovereignty, and a new way to transact that isn't built on lies and inflation and control.

If every single striking worker in Philly woke up tomorrow and bought Bitcoin — even just a little —

the whole damn system would collapse.

And from that rubble, something new could emerge.

Bitcoin is for the Spiritually Awake

Adopting Bitcoin is not a financial move.

It's a **paradigm shift.**

"It has nothing to do with being rich. It has everything to do with being free."

You go from survival to **thrival.**

But that mindset — that shift — makes you look insane to the masses.

You'll be the crazy one. The radical. The outsider.

But think about it...

Isn't it more insane to do the same thing over and over again and expect it to get better?

That's insanity.

That's what the 99% are doing — clinging to dying systems, begging for scraps, hoping for miracles from politicians and bureaucrats.

The **1%**, the truly bold ones, the spirited ones — they've already exited. They're building new systems, new futures, new ways of living.

Maybe You're the First

So here I am — in this city I love, walking through the Garden of Eden, watching Babylon crumble in real-time.

And maybe I'm the only one who sees it like this.

Maybe it's only just begun.

But I know this much:

"You can't build paradise on top of a broken foundation. You have to walk away from Babylon and start again."