

Nineteen of the world's greatest civilizations have died, not as a result of direct destruction by an outside enemy, but from internal decay. The average age of these civilizations has been about 200 years. During each of their lifetimes, they, with a few exceptions, passed through this sequence of conditions:

From Bondage to Spiritual Faith
From Spiritual Faith to Great Courage
From Great Courage to Liberty
From Liberty to Abundance
From Abundance to Selfishness
From Selfishness to Complacency
From Complacency to Apathy
From Apathy to Dependency
From Dependency back to Bondage

America is over 207 years old. Where do we stand?

--Dean Russell