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Conservatives vs Libertarian. Who are you?

Since many years ago, there’ve always been a debate about which political ideology have more prevalence in the US. Liberals say liberalism and conservatives say conservatism. Some of this ideologies have come together at certain point to create political parties; in other cases, they have isolated each other. As an International student in the US, I didn’t have enough knowledge about the topic, or maybe I knew what was it about but in Venezuela political parties, not in the US. Now, that I have been studying what ideologies in the world mean and h0ow they represent themselves around the history I can easier, relate myself to one or another. Also, I can see what Ideology dominate the US today.

Countries which remember where they came from will clearly see their path to the future. This means that if a nation knows and understand what their origins were, it will not make the same mistakes in the future and this will create better idea of how to act in the future. America was a colony of Great Britain by the 1600–1650. Most of the population from Great Britain was fearful of changes. They were living in a monarchy for their whole life and they didn’t know anything different from that. When the colony right started to be damaged, the idea of liberty was among the citizens. Basically Thomas Pain was the one who promote this idea by his famous panflet “Common sense”. This panflet made call of American revolution. By that time most of the Americans were fearful of change, they weren’t sure if they wanted to be part of that change or still into that monarchy which oppressed them. These were the firsts signs of liberalism among the American. They wanted to create a country where they could be free and have guarantee of their rights. Where anyone could think difference and no one would judge them for that. They wanted to believe in the spirit of law and the separation of powers, that none of them could have more power than the other. For example, in the article number 3 of the American constitution it stablishes checks and balances (Each branch of the government check the other. No one is more powerful). This was the idea of this new c0oonstitution, to guarantee freedom and happiness among the American people.

Nowadays, this history has changed a little bit. Before, Conservativism and Liberalists will come together to one point, the nation. Leaving back all their differences to work in a group for their country. Today, this is something harder to do. At the congress you can easily see this problem. Millions of people are damaged or not beneficiated because of these problems. Senator and legislators don’t look up for the common wellbeing, they just look up for their personal interest, pride and honor. On the streets a totally different environment is going on. People want change, want to break the old shape of the government. Citizens don’t like formal processes, they just want freedom and happiness (like how it used to be). Most of the American citizens want social and economic equality. They want to raise wealth to the future generations. These are the main thoughts in American people.

Throughout this semester, I can see more liberalist ideas in young generations, rather than conservative ideas in them. In the other hand, if you study old generation you can see more conservative ideas in them. They want to preserve those traditions and values. As I said before, these conservative ideas have changed a lot through time. Other really important factor is education. As you can see among the history most of the most famous writer have denominated themselves libertarian. Rather than someone who didn’t have the opportunity to evaluate other opinions and create a different perspective about an issue. Most of politicians nowadays can go extremely to the far right or the far left, without taking in count that there is a middle point where we all will encounter for our happiness as a citizens and as humans.