

# Invincible 62: The Life and Legacy of Lysander Spooner

Lysander Spooner was an American individualist anarchist, abolitionist, and author. He is best known for his writings on natural law, property rights, and the free market.



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Spooner was born in Athol, Massachusetts, in 1808. He was the son of a farmer and a schoolteacher. Spooner was a precocious child and he began reading at the age of three. He attendedいくつかの学校 before enrolling at Amherst College in 1825.

Spooner left Amherst after two years and began studying law. He was admitted to the bar in 1830 and he opened a law practice in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Spooner quickly became a successful lawyer. He was known for his wit, his intellect, and his dedication to his clients. He was also a strong advocate for individual liberty and he often defended unpopular causes.

In 1845, Spooner published his first book, *The Unconstitutionality of Slavery*. In this book, Spooner argued that slavery was unconstitutional because it violated the natural rights of individuals to life, liberty, and property.

Spoooner's book was controversial and it helped to fuel the growing abolitionist movement. Spooner was a close friend of Frederick Douglass, and he helped to finance the publication of Douglass's newspaper, *The North Star*.

In 1859, Spooner published his most famous work, *No Treason: The Constitution of No Authority*. In this book, Spooner argued that the United States Constitution was invalid because it was not ratified by the people.

Spoooner's book was highly influential among anarchists and it remains a classic of anarchist literature.

Spoooner died in 1887. He was 79 years old.

## **Spoooner's Legacy**

Lysander Spoooner was a brilliant and influential thinker. His writings on natural law, property rights, and the free market have had a profound impact on the development of libertarian thought.

Spoooner was a strong advocate for individual liberty. He believed that individuals should be free to live their lives as they see fit, without interference from the state.

Spoooner was also a strong believer in property rights. He believed that individuals have the right to own and control their property, free from

government interference.

Spooner's writings have inspired many people around the world. He is considered one of the most important thinkers in the libertarian tradition.

## Further Reading

- The Lysander Spooner Society
- No Treason: The Constitution of No Authority
- The Unconstitutionality of Slavery



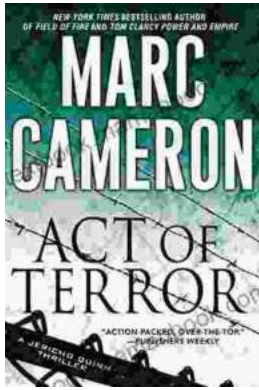
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