

# BITCOIN

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## The Evolution of Money

Money is nothing more than a means of exchange. In pre-monetary societies there was **barter** - the direct exchange of goods and services between people. Barter gave way to various forms of commodity money - objects that most people wanted and were willing to exchange for their goods and services. And as a result, all sorts of things have functioned as money during its long history, including salt and tobacco.

Money evolved over time and gravitated to the most suitable form, **silver** and **gold**. These two commodities naturally arose in the marketplace as ideal forms of money because they had the required attributes - that it must be durable, divisible, convenient, consistent, have perceived value, limited supply, and be widely accepted.

Later in the evolution of money people deposited their gold and silver in banks, in exchange for paper receipts which were negotiable - meaning they could be used as money. This paper money was acceptable because it was in effect backed by gold or silver.

Even later in monetary evolution, bankers noticed that not everyone wanted their gold and silver back at the same time, and realised they could make **loans** in excess of the gold and silver on deposit, and earn **interest** on them. And so fractional reserve banking was born.

The most recent stage of monetary evolution was when governments granted central banks the authority to issue paper money, or legal tender, with no gold or silver backing at all. This type of money is often termed **fiat** money, or money by decree.

Of course, even this form of paper money works as a means of exchange, provided people accept and trust it. Trouble is, the nature of fiat paper money is such that it can easily be manipulated and devalued by those issuing it, simply by expanding the supply. This mechanism has provided governments with a virtually unlimited supply of money with which to bribe their way into power, stay in power, and generally act irresponsibly.

Before the invention of limitless fiat money, a King was severely constrained as to his options. For example, if he wanted to go to war with another country he would need enough gold on hand. Soldiers had to be paid and armaments purchased, and if the treasury was empty, then war was not an option. But in latter days, the new "kings"- democratic governments - have been able to borrow whatever they like, for whatever purposes they deem necessary.

Trouble is, this uncontrolled money creation and abuse has brought us to where we are today - indebted to the point of no return. You see, all money enters the economy as a **debt**, so constant borrowing and monetary expansion can only lead to more and more debt.

Our debt-based money system has finally run its course, and is no longer capable of meeting the legitimate needs of people, if it ever did. Fact is, we are literally being destroyed by debt.

## Debt-Based Money vs Debt-Free

What most people don't understand is the monetary system is incapable of correcting itself. We have accumulated debt upon debt, until we are being buried under mountains of it. This is exactly what is happening now in Europe, where national debts cannot be paid off and the only apparent option is a constant diet of **austerity** along with debt refinancing. And what is happening there is only a foretaste of what will happen across the developed world.

This whole economic mess has been caused by one irrefutable fact, that we have been hoodwinked into allowing a particular class of people - bankers, in cahoots with politicians - to issue our money as **debt**. This debt-money is created out of nothing and lent into existence at interest. What better way to build a fortune and control the world?

The founder of the famous Rothschild banking dynasty, *Mayer Amschel Rothschild*, knew what he was talking about when he said: *"Give me control of a nation's money and I care not who makes its laws."* That says it all really.

To reverse this cycle of debt, economic depression, poverty and enslavement, it is necessary to come to grips with the primary cause - the very debt-based money system we have all grown up with, and accept without question. But the times are changing. People are waking up, and the internet is enabling the rapid transmission of knowledge and information.

Add to this the fact people are suffering, economies are imploding, unemployment is rising, wealth is being destroyed - and you have a social reality that is ripe for fundamental change - revolution even. And the one thing that could literally change everything, would be to challenge the money system itself and discover a way out of the debt trap and consequent enslavement to our money masters.

There are essentially two types of people in this world: those who simply want to be left alone to manage their own affairs and get along with people as best they can, and those who want to **control** others and boss them about.

What most people don't realise is that control over **money** is the perfect means of control over **people**, especially when the money system itself has been designed to that end. So it's necessary to understand that to really be free, we need to be free of the debt-based money system that oppresses us.

This is where *Bitcoin* comes in. It's the world's first digital, **debt-free** crypto-currency - a money system with no corporate head office, no bankers, no government shenanigans, no central bank, no boss, no branches, no restrictions - and no limits.

To understand the revolutionary nature of *Bitcoin*, it's necessary to look at what it is, how it can be used, and how you can literally free up your life by making use of it.

The first thing to understand about *Bitcoin* is that it comes into existence without debt. It is in fact a **debt-free** currency.

So how is it created and how does it come into circulation? This is done through a process called “mining”, where individuals all over the world can participate by hooking up specialised computers to the network which enables the *Bitcoin* system to process and verify all the transactions. By contributing this processing power, “miners” are rewarded with *Bitcoins*.

The second thing to understand is that there is a strictly **limited** supply, with no more than **21 million** *Bitcoins* (or BTC) in existence. And in case you’re wondering how this works, they are divisible to 8 decimal places, meaning you can have 1 BTC or 0.1, or 0.001, or 0.0001 BTC, and so on. As the *Bitcoin* economy grows, and because the supply is limited, the effective unit of account simply gets smaller to accommodate the increased economic activity.

*Bitcoin*, contrary to the inflationary fiat paper money we are used to, is by comparison **deflationary**. What does that mean? Think of it this way: as economic activity and wealth increases the actual price of stuff when quoted in BTC will decline. This is not something to worry about, but rather to celebrate. For just as we are used to high-tech items getting cheaper each year (just think how much computers used to cost!), it is entirely realistic to expect prices to drop across the board, provided economic progress continues.

The *Bitcoins* in your “wallet” will actually rise in value, and buy more stuff in the future. This has the effect of encouraging people to save (without the need for interest payments) because a year from now, *Bitcoins* will likely buy more than today. In other words, it encourages **capital** formation. And that’s a thought we’ll return to later in this report.

The third thing to understand is that *Bitcoin* runs on a peer-to-peer network of computers, which “collaborate” with each other to process and verify all transactions being conducted by the system. Unlike traditional banking, there are no clearing houses, no banks, no central authority - nothing in fact. The whole system is decentralised and distributed.

Opening an account does not require you to prove who you are, provide ID or a Social Security number, supply references, or disclose your financial information. You can immediately become part of the *Bitcoin* economy simply by making a **decision** to do so.

There are many different ways to get started, and these will be discussed in greater detail in the next part of this report. Suffice to say, it’s as simple as downloading a *Bitcoin* wallet - which resides on your computer or smartphone - purchasing some *Bitcoin* and joining in the fun and freedom.

There is a wealth of information on *Bitcoin* out there, so I have no intention of repeating it verbatim here. Rather, I will use the rest of this report to point you in the right direction by providing links that will answer every possible question, and hopefully get you motivated.

## Getting Started With Bitcoin

For a quick overview of the concept, watch this short [video](#).

A good place to start is [Bitcoin.org](#) - where you can also choose your wallet. A wallet is how you store, send and receive *Bitcoins*, and operates like your own private bank account. You have a number of choices regarding the type of wallet you use, including *Bitcoin-QT*, *MultiBit*, *Armory*, *Electrum* and more. You will find them all on the *Bitcoin* wallet page at [Bitcoin.org](#)

*Bitcoin-QT* is the original software wallet as written by developer *Satoshi Nakamoto*. But be aware, it downloads the full [blockchain](#) and can take hours to set up. So you may prefer to use one of the simpler options when first getting started. These include both desktop wallets like *MultiBit* and *Electrum*, as well as web-based wallet services like [Coinbase](#), [Blockchain](#) and [Kryptokit](#). I recommend *Blockchain* as a secure web-based service and [Electrum](#) as a quick and easy desktop wallet. Both of these are secure, well-tested, and will serve you well. You can also watch my short [video](#) on my personal *Bitcoin* wallet recommendations.

Once you have your wallet set up, your next move is to **fund** it by purchasing some *Bitcoins*. And you have many options for doing so. These range from buying them with cash from a local vendor, trading them for various alternatives, or using an exchange service to transfer funds in, then purchase your *Bitcoins* as required.

*Exchanges* provide a marketplace and trading platform for the buying and selling of *Bitcoins*. You can fund your account in a number of different ways, and once funded you can purchase the number of *Bitcoins* you want. Once you have acquired them, you can choose to leave them in your trading account or transfer them to your desktop wallet (if you have one). Personally, I recommend using a desktop wallet and moving all your bitcoins to there, for additional security.

My personal recommendaton for an exchange service, one I use myself, is [BitStamp](#). I also have accounts with [BTC-e](#) and [Coinbase](#). Some newer ones include [Kraken](#) and [Camp BX](#). You can also buy and sell *Bitcoins* directly, person-to-person, anywhere in the world, using [Local Bitcoins](#).

If you sell a product or service and want to accept *Bitcoin* as payment, then you can open an account with a *Bitcoin*-specific **merchant** service. These have the advantage of enabling you to use a shopping cart or simply to create payment buttons. You can also choose to retain the *Bitcoins* from sales or have them immediately converted into the currency of your choice. The two most well-known merchant services at this time are [Bitpay](#) and [Coinbase](#).

If you have questions regarding anything to do with *Bitcoin*, or are skeptical and have concerns, then a great place to get intelligent answers is [here](#). I have also put up a webpage where I offer my personal [recommendations](#) for various *Bitcoin* resources.

## How To Spend Your Bitcoins

The good news is, there is a growing market of *Bitcoin*-accepting merchants - places you can spend your *Bitcoins*. And certainly more can be expected in the future.

It's impossible to keep up with who is accepting *Bitcoin*, as every day new merchants are entering the space, so trying to list them here would be a fool's endeavour. But to give you a couple of useful ideas and starting points: You can buy most anything with *Bitcoin* from [Overstock](#). You can buy gift cards for all major stores at [Gyft](#). And you can literally buy anything online using [SnapCard](#). You can even book flights with [BTCrip](#). The possibilities are endless, and as the *Bitcoin* market grows, so does its value.

As more and more products and services are able to be purchased using *Bitcoins*, the more people will participate and increase demand for them. Like all good ideas, it's only a matter of time before more people catch on and push it to greater acceptance. And this fact raises another very interesting subject, and a unique opportunity.

## How to Make Money With Bitcoin by Doing Nothing

One of the things which makes *Bitcoin* unique is its **restricted** supply. This means as more *Bitcoins* come on to the market, and more people start using them, you have a supply and demand situation which can affect the price.

I've witnessed this myself. Back in May 2012, I purchased some *Bitcoins* for around **\$5.00**. I then purchased more in January 2013, at the then current price of **\$13.79**. As of the latest revision of this report (January 2014), the quoted price on *Bitstamp* was **\$861** - so I'll let you calculate the gains I have made on each *Bitcoin* I own. It's quite staggering!

If you're a trader, you can play the *Bitcoin* market using *BitStamp* or other exchange platforms and buy and sell *Bitcoins* at opportune times. No doubt many people are doing this, because there is a ready and growing market for *Bitcoins*. And for those who know what they are doing, there is money to be made. But we warned, it's also a great way to **lose** your money!

Given the dynamics of this market, it's reasonable to assume that the price of *Bitcoin* will continue to rise in relation to the USD and other major currencies. Why? Because these paper (legacy) currencies are all suffering from over-supply, or in other words **losing** value. So if you are looking for alternative ways to protect the value of the money you already have, then purchasing *Bitcoins* is certainly one option, and one I am making use of myself.

Because the *Bitcoin* market is still in its infancy, it's reasonable to expect significant returns to early adopters, as supply and demand drive the *Bitcoin* price up in future. And as many commentators have noted, *Bitcoin* has certainly out-performed gold in this regard.

## The Unique Bitcoin Advantage

You can create a *Bitcoin* wallet from anywhere in the world, right on your computer, smartphone or online. You don't need anyone's permission, or need to provide any information whatsoever - no name, no ID - and if downloading one of the available desktop wallets, not even your email address.

Think of it as the ultimate "*offshore bank account*", a place where you can hold funds **outside** the system. And there is a good reason to do this. For as I'm sure you know, the world is in an economic mess. Countries are going to the dogs, economically speaking, and debt is raising its ugly head, only to be perpetuated by even more debt and enslavement.

Truth is, there is no end in sight to the economic travails. So you really **do** have to take matters into your own hands, and *Bitcoin* provides a set of tools to achieve this.

Governments everywhere are on the lookout for more tax revenue, and also cracking down on existing ways of protecting what is rightfully yours. So what's a sane person to do? How are you supposed to protect the value of your savings when the currency is constantly being devalued? How are you supposed to prepare for your old age when the economic system is being turned on its head and nothing is certain - not even the money in your bank account?

Fortunately, you do have a **choice**. You can choose to ignore the warning signs and simply go on as if nothing of significance is happening, or you can do something constructive.

Given the prognosis on global economic affairs, I can say unequivocally that I do not trust the government to sort this out. Not a chance. And as a result, it is imperative to think, and think **hard**, about the best course of action you should take.

Of course holding **gold** or **silver** is also a good way to protect yourself against monetary destruction, and that's something I do myself. But with *Bitcoin* you have another option available to you. And the good news is, if you make the effort to understand it, and get to grips with how revolutionary it really is, you'll then see the potential and be motivated to act on it.

More importantly, you'll likely see how *Bitcoin* - as a non-government, non-bank, crypto-currency - provides an alternative means of achieving your freedom goals. And not just for you, but for society as a whole, looking into the future.

So don't be a wallflower. Grab this opportunity to be an early adopter, take control of your financial destiny, and use whatever tools are available to you, to protect what is rightfully yours, for you and your family.

You really do owe it to yourself.

## The Real Significance of Bitcoin

It's easy to assume that *Bitcoin* is just another payment system, a sort of *PayPal* with some additional features. But nothing could be further from the truth. *Bitcoin* is truly revolutionary. Why? Because it challenges the money system that's been around for millennia.

Throughout history money has been issued by the "sovereign" – the ruler. In days of old, this was the King or Queen. Later it became the government, or the government-sanctioned Central Bank.

No money has ever existed which was created by ordinary people and used by them to transact. Sure, there have been many examples of more primitive societies using sea shells, salt and other commodities as money in past times, but as society evolved, the creation of money has always been prerogative of the "ruler" – whether king or government. Not until now, with the advent of *Bitcoin*, has there ever been a nascent **global** currency that turns up on the scene completely free of government and banker control.

However, *Bitcoin* is much more than just a cryptocurrency. In fact, the really significant innovation – the history-changing invention - is the **blockchain** itself, the distributed network over which *Bitcoin* is transacted.

One way to look at this is to consider *Bitcoin*, the currency, as the first **app** on the blockchain. And when you start digging into this technological marvel you will soon realise that the blockchain is capable of handling much more than just monetary assets, just one app.

I won't go into it too deeply here, but just to expand your mind a little, I'll give you one example of what is already in development for the *Bitcoin* protocol.

Just as *Bitcoin*, the cryptocurrency, transacts over the blockchain, so can any other asset class - including **shares** for example.

The way things work now is that a company wishing to go public initiates an **IPO** (after considerable cost and jumping over regulatory hurdles), and then the public can purchase such shares via a brokerage account.

But imagine a very *different* scenario. A company publishes its prospectus on the internet and offers "bitshares" to those who are interested in investing. Anyone, anywhere in the world, can buy these bitshares with *Bitcoin* (or perhaps even government fiat currency) and end up owning these them, stored in their enhanced *Bitcoin* wallet – as a separate asset class.

In other words, just as *Bitcoin* the currency does away with the need for banks, companies or even governments, bitshares would do away with all regulatory hurdles, IPO registration startup costs, and even brokerage services themselves. Instead, a new start-up company could go straight to to potential investors, anywhere in the world, and offer them bitshares directly – to be deposited to their *Bitcoin-related* wallet.

Can you see the potential?



For this reason, *Bitcoin* – the blockchain protocol - is not only revolutionary but a major **disruptive** technology. It's disruptive of the current order. It's disruptive of centuries of elitist banker control. It represents just as much of a revolution in money and asset management, as the internet represents a revolution in communication.

For the first time in history we now have two interconnected disruptive technologies – the internet **and** *Bitcoin*. One deals with standard communication in all its forms, while the other deals in a special type of communication – the holding and verification of information regarding who **owns** what, and all the transactions made between such owners – a global asset ledger maintained on the web and managed by a worldwide distributed network of servers.

The potential for *Bitcoin* is huge, and in my book it represents the most radical and far-reaching development to occur in my lifetime – or perhaps **any** lifetime.

I have dreamt of the day when money could be wrested from the elite's control – and that day has arrived. Of course, it will take time for *Bitcoin* to become mainstream, but already smart minds and money are backing *Bitcoin* in a big way, so you can expect to see significant developments going forward.

Whoever controls the money supply, controls "us". *Bitcoin* is the most radical freedom tool to appear on the scene and represents a complete break with history. So mark this moment in your diary. Remember you were here when *Bitcoin* was invented. Remember *Satoshi Nakamoto* (the pseudonym for whomever developed the *Bitcoin* protocol) as the visionary who introduced this technological breakthrough to the world. And if you love freedom and desire a peaceful and prosperous world – without the vicious sociopaths who currently rule us – then grasp the importance and significance of *Bitcoin*, learn all about it, get yourself a wallet and start using it.

### **How to Get Bitcoins Without Buying Them**

I have explained how you can buy *Bitcoins* using an exchange service, or earn them if you have something to sell. But what if you have neither the available cash to buy, or a product or service to sell? Well, here's an opportunity for you to accumulate some *Bitcoins*.

You can **earn** *Bitcoins* by becoming a [reseller](#) for *SovereignLife*, my own membership service for those seeking greater personal and financial freedom.

This reseller opportunity is unique for a couple of reasons – that you get to keep **100%** of the membership fee, and that funds are deposited immediately and directly into either your *Bitcoin* or *PayPal* account, depending on what your customer chooses.

When you join [SovereignLife](#) you automatically have the right to resell memberships and keep all the money.

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