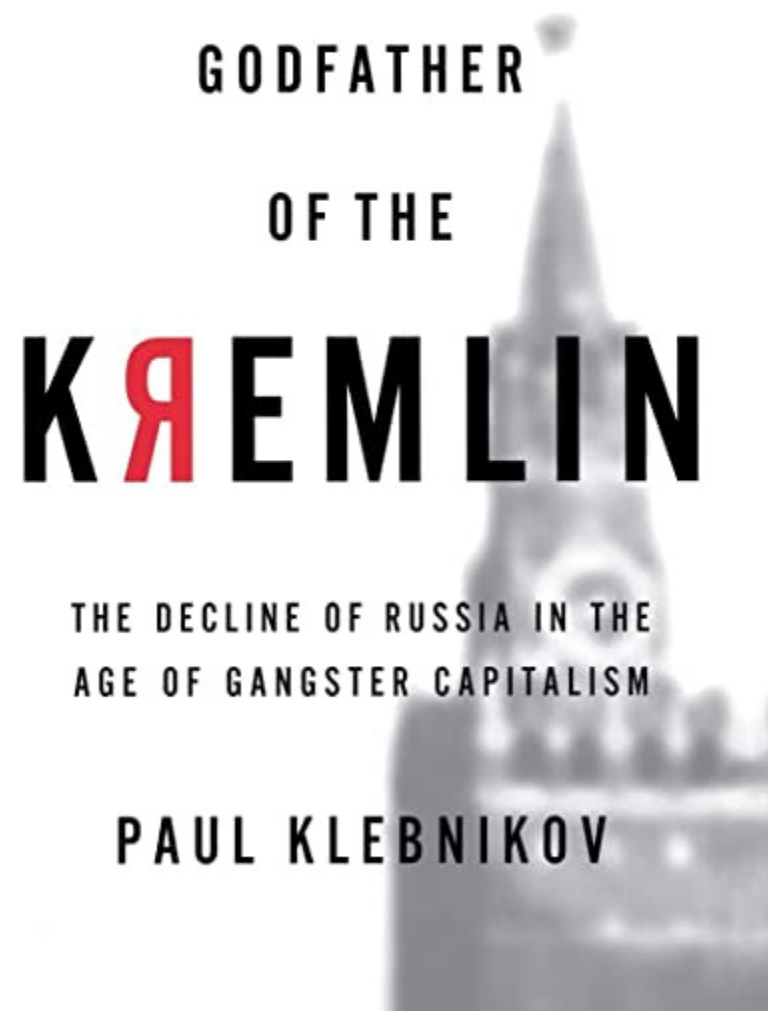# Fisted By Foucault Book Club - Godfather of the Kremlin: Boris Berezovsky and the Looting of Russia

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AGE OF GANGSTER CAPITALISM

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I'm proud to announce that I am starting the Fisted By Foucault Book Club here at my Substack. **This will be available only to subscribers**. I've decided to take this step as there has been rather significant interest in this site and the enthusiasm for more focused content has been clearly expressed to me.

I've chosen [this book](#) for a few reasons:

1. It is the best book in understanding the transition that Russia experienced from State Communism to the Wild West economy it had under Boris Yeltsin towards the end of the 90s

2. Boris Berezovsky serves as the best example of an oligarch who overreached by stepping over the bounds of business into politics and suffering the wrath of Vladimir Putin and the Siloviki

3. By reading this book one will understand why Russia rejects the free market approach and by extension, western liberal democracy (it should be noted that it's rather more complex than just economic factors)

4. To give the readers this knowledge so that they have a better view of the upcoming Biden Regime and its actions against Russia

5. To help the reader understand why Vladimir Putin is the way he is

The author, Forbes journalist [Paul Klebnikov](#), was assassinated because of this book. Many have pointed the finger at Boris Berezovsky and his use of Chechen murderers, but the case has never officially been solved.

I have been recommending this book to others for well over a decade, and not once has anyone done anything but rave about its content and quality.

I'll begin with the big picture next week.

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