

“Government Is Established By God, part 2”

Romans 13:3-7

Biblical Principles #1 and #2

Romans 13:1-2

- 1. Everyone is to submit to human government.***
- 2. God has raised up every nation; there are no exceptions.***

Biblical Principle #3

Romans 13:1-2

3. When government wants us to disobey God, then we disobey government.

Submit If Told To Disobey God?

Romans 13:1

***When government violates their Ruler,
God, we must disobey the government.***

Exod. 1:17-21

Dan. 6:6-22

Dan. 1:8-9

Acts 4:13-19

Dan. 3:16-18

Acts 5:29

Biblical Principle #3

Romans 13:1-2

- 3. When government wants us to disobey God, then we disobey government.***
- 4. Resisting human authority is resisting God's ordinances.***

Biblical Principles #4 and #5

Romans 13:3-7

5. Government is a minister of God for good.

Outline of Romans 13:1-7

- v. 1-2** – ***Establishment of government***
- v. 3-4** – ***Purpose of government***
- v. 5-7** – ***Response to government***

Rulers Are God's Ministers

Romans 13:3-4

- v. 3** – *Principles if stated **positively***
- v. 4** – *Principles if stated **negatively***

Rulers Are Dreaded For Evil

Romans 13:3

Rulers are not **dreaded** for good works but evil ones.

***Do you have
fear of
authority?***



Rulers Are Dreaded For Evil

Romans 13:3

... you will receive praise from the same ...



***epainos = “excellent person or
object of praise”***



***The
Peach
Award***



Rulers Are A Minister of God

Romans 13:4

... A minister of God ...



diakonos = “one who serves or helps”

Psalm 75:7

***“But God is the Judge;
He puts down one and exalts another.”***

Daniel 4:17

“This sentence is by the decree of the angelic watchers and the decision is a command of the holy ones, in order that the living may know that the Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind, and bestows it on whom He wishes and sets over it the lowliest of men.”

God Suppress Evil With Rulers

Jeremiah 25:8 – 12

- King Nebuchadnezzar was “My Servant”***

Isaiah 44:28 – 45:3

- King Cyrus was “My Shepherd”***

Zechariah 1:15

“But I am very angry with the nations who are at ease; for while I was only a little angry, they furthered the disaster.”

***Germany
Turned Evil
and God
Removed
The Nation***



Rulers Are A Minister of God

Romans 13:4

... does not bear the sword for nothing ...



machaira = “short sword”

Genesis 9:6

***Whoever sheds man's blood,
By man his blood shall be shed,
For in the image of God
He made man.***

O.T. Capital Punishment*

<i>Murder</i>	– <i>Ex. 21:12</i>
<i>Kidnapping</i>	– <i>Ex. 21:16</i>
<i>Bestiality</i>	– <i>Ex. 22:19</i>
<i>Adultery</i>	– <i>Ev. 20:10</i>
<i>Homosexuality</i>	– <i>Lev. 20:13</i>
<i>False Prophet</i>	– <i>Deut. 13:5</i>
<i>Prostitution</i>	– <i>Deut. 22:24</i>
<i>Rape</i>	– <i>Deut. 22:24</i>

****Punishment did not always occur (2 Sam. 11:1-17)***

What Should We Do?

Romans 13:5

... Therefore be in subjection ...

... To avoid fear of wrath

... To have a clear conscience

What Should We Do?

Romans 13:6-7

- 1. Pay taxes – state and federal***
- 2. Pay custom - sales taxes***
- 3. Pay fear - police, FBI, judges . . .***
- 4. Pay honor - rulers***

Luke 20:22-25

Acts 23:1-5

1 Peter 2:13-15

1 Peter 3:13 - 15

“Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority, or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right. **For such is the will of God . . .**”