

ROMANS

# INSTITUTIONS

**FAMILY - Ephesians 6:1**

**CHURCH - Hebrews 13:17**

**WORKPLACE - Ephesians 6:5**

**GOVERNMENT - Romans 13:1**

# GOVERNING AUTHORITIES

**1 Timothy 1:8–9**

**But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully, knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless....**

# APPOINTED BY GOD

**Daniel 4:17**

**... In order that the living may know That the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, Gives it to whomever He will, And sets over it the lowest of men.'**

**Daniel 2:21**

**... He removes kings and raises up kings...**

# APPOINTED BY GOD

**Proverbs 21:1**

**The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord,  
Like the rivers of water; He turns it  
wherever He wishes.**

# GOVERNING AUTHORITIES

**Titus 3:1**

**Remind them [believers] to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work**

# GOVERNING AUTHORITIES

**1 Peter 2:13–17**

**Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether to the king as supreme, or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good...Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.**

# GOVERNING AUTHORITIES

**1 Timothy 2:1–2**

**Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.**

# GOD'S MINISTER

**The civil magistrate, saved or unsaved, is a servant of God in the sense that since God has instituted human government as a means of regulating the affairs of the human race, a magistrate who carries out the law, acts as a servant of God.**

*Wuest*

# CONSCIENCE

**§ A man wrote a letter to the tax department:**

**“I have been unable to sleep knowing that I cheated on my taxes. I have enclosed a cashier’s check for \$1000. If I still can’t sleep, I’ll send the rest.”**

# TAXES

**Luke 20:22–25**

**Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” But He perceived their craftiness, and said to them, “Why do you test Me? Show Me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?” They answered and said, “Caesar’s.” And He said to them, “Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.”**

# OBEDIENCE

**§ It was the consistent and official teaching of the Christian Church that obedience must be given to, and prayers made for, the civil power, even when the wielder of that civil power was a Nero.**

*Barclay*

# THE EXCEPTION

**Acts 4:18-20 / 5:28-29**

**...“Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.”... “We ought to obey God rather than men.**

# LOVE

**Galatians 5:14**

**For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”**

# DARKNESS / LIGHT

**Ephesians 5:8**

**For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light**

# PUT ON LOVE

**Colossians 3:12–14**

**Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.**