

## **Living in Exile: How to Relate to Government Pt4**

### **Romans 13:1-7**

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*"Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. For he is God's minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience' sake. For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God's ministers attending continually to this very thing. Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor." (Romans 13:1-7; NKJ)*

### **Implication C. Christians \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Earthly Governments when their commands are in \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"...for there is no authority except from God, ..." (v 1)*

#### **1. Civil disobedience is in order when governments \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"... let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up." (Daniel 3:16-19; NKJ)*

#### **2. Civil disobedience is in order when governments \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"...Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days." (Daniel 4:4-10; NKJ)*

#### **3. Civil disobedience is in order when governments \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, '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.'" (Acts 4:18-20; NKJ)*

#### **4. Civil disobedience is in order when governments \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." (Deut. 6:4-7; NKJ)*

*"I thank God ... .. when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also." (2 Timothy 1:5; NKJ)*

#### **5. Civil disobedience is in order when governments \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"...But the midwives feared God, and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the male children alive." (Exodus 1:15-1*

*"Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation. All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." (Revelation 13:6-8; NKJ)*

*"Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this." (Isaiah 66:7; NKJ)*