

EVANGELIST CITIZENSHIP 1 PETER 2:13-17

Big Idea: *Christians are called to submit to governing authorities in order to glorify Christ and to reach those who are still living in spiritual darkness.*

1. The _____ of submission.

¹³ “Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority, ¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right.”

Daniel 2:21 “It is He who changes the times and the epochs; He removes kings and establishes kings; He gives wisdom to wise men and knowledge to men of understanding.”

Matthew 22:21 “They said to Him, “Caesar’s.” Then He said to them, “Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s; and to God the things that are God’s.” ²² And hearing *this*, they were amazed, and leaving Him, they went away.”

Romans 13:1-2 “Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.² Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.”

2. The _____ of submission.

¹⁵ “For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.”

Psalms 14:1 “The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds; There is no one who does good.”

Titus 3:1-2 “Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed, ² to malign no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing every consideration for all men.”

3. The _____ of submission.

¹⁶ “*Act* as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but *use it* as bondslaves of God. ¹⁷ Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.”

Galatians 5:13 “For you were called to freedom, brothers. only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”

Romans 12:10 “*Be* devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor.”

John 13:34-35 “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. ³⁵ By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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