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RESISTANCE?



“Far be it from Thee to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous and the wicked are treated alike. Far be it from Thee! Shall not the Judge of all the earth deal justly?”

Gen. 18:25

“For I proclaim the name of the Lord; ascribe greatness to our God! The Rock! His work is perfect, for all His ways are just; a God of faithfulness and without injustice, righteous and upright is He.”

Deut. 32:3-4

“But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to every man according to his deeds.” Rom. 2:5-6

GOD HAS CALLED HIS PEOPLE TO:

1. A PATH OF SUBMISSION. Vs. 1-2

“Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.”

Vs. 1

Governing

Subjection

Established

“Therefore he who resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.” vs. 2

“Why are the nations in an uproar, and the peoples devising a vain thing? The kings of the earth take their stand, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and His Anointed. Let us tear their fetters apart, and cast away their cords from us.” Ps. 2:1-3

“But the one who rules in heaven laughs. The Lord scoffs at them.” vs. 4 (NLT)

**“Now then, you kings, act wisely! Be warned, you rulers of the earth! Serve the Lord with reverent fear, and rejoice with trembling. Submit to God’s royal son, or he will become angry, and you will be destroyed in the midst of all your activities—for his anger flares up in an instant. But what joy for all who take refuge in him!”
vs. 10-12 (NLT)**

2. A PLAN THAT IS SOUND. Vs. 3-5

“For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same; for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil.” vs. 3-4

“Wherefore it is necessary to be in subjection, not only because of wrath, but also for conscience sake.” vs. 5

“...indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties.” 2 Peter 2:10

3. PAY WHAT IS SUITABLE. Vs. 6-7

“For because of this you also pay taxes, for rulers are servants of God, devoting themselves to this very thing. Render to all what is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.”

A. Taxes

**“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.’”
Matt. 22:21**

B. Fear.

“But then David’s conscience began bothering him because he had cut Saul’s robe. ‘The Lord knows I shouldn’t have done that to my lord the king,’ he said to his men. ‘The Lord forbid that I should do this to my lord the king and attack the Lord’s anointed one, for the Lord himself has chosen him.’” 1 Sam. 24:5-6 (NLT)

“This Man, delivered up by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death.” Acts 2:23

C. Honor.

“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...Honor all men; love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.” 1 Peter 2:13-17

APPLICATION FOR ME:

In your family?

In this political climate?

At your place of work?

With your neighbor?

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