

Read Romans 13:1-7. Review the four principles that Pastor Micah gave for living under human government and in the Kingdom of God. Which one(s) do you struggle with the most and why? What does it practically and tangibly look like submit to and honor government leaders even when we disagree with them? When should we not obey our leaders and how do we do this while still submitting to them?

What is the cost to the Kingdom when we fail to submit to or honor our leaders? How have you been guilty in the past or present of hurting your witness for Jesus by how you engaged in politics? What do you need to do moving forward to guard against this?

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

Jesus both legitimizes and trivializes human government. How can you live in a way that does the same?



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Luke 20:19-26, Romans 13:1-7

JESUS BOTH _____ AND _____ HUMAN GOVERNMENT.

- I. Jesus calls us to _____ to the government and to the Kingdom.
– v. 19-26

We should treat human government as both legitimate and trivial in light of the _____.

- II. _____ for living under human government and in the Kingdom of God. – Rom. 13:1-7

1. Every government is _____ by God and every leader is a _____ of God.

2. Christians should _____ to governing authorities.

3. Government leaders have the _____ to bear the sword.

4. Christians _____ our leaders taxes, revenue, respect, honor and prayer.

III. How to protect your _____ as you engage in government:

1. Don't apply moral principles _____ for your own benefit.

2. Don't _____ at the altar of religious-political syncretism.

3. Guard your heart against these traps by...

a. Renewing your _____ with the Word of God.

b. Asking the Holy Spirit for _____.

c. _____ and following King Jesus.

Pursue _____ over political victories.

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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. CONNECT TO THE TEXT

What is one thing you dread talking about MORE than politics? Why do people often feel so nervous or want to avoid talking about politics? Fill in the blank of this statement and then explain why you feel that way: I think the church should _____ when it comes to politics and government.

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Read Luke 20:19-26. Jesus masterfully navigates another trap from religious leaders. Why does Jesus point the image on the coin and how does He use it to teach us about the Kingdom? How does Jesus both legitimize and trivialize human government with His statement in v. 25? What other things in this world does Jesus also legitimize and trivialize with His teachings?

