

# **“Bondservants Who Are Free”**

## **Peter’s Instruction To Christians In The World**

1 Peter 2:13-17 (1015)

*God and Government 6*

The Christian worldview creates political freedom by *internalizing* God’s laws (v 15). It instructs citizens in loving and serving neighbors as it summons magistrates to honor Christ (e.g. Psalm 2). In this passage Peter features ‘human institutions’ (v 13), and stands on biblical footing – the emperor is supreme, but God is ‘supreme.’ Four imperatives define how we ought to “live as servants of God” (v 16) in the final days of this national election. And with our next president.

I. ‘\_\_\_\_\_ everyone’ (v 17a)

II. ‘Love the \_\_\_\_\_’ (v 17b)

III. ‘\_\_\_\_\_ God’ (v 17c)

IV. ‘Honor the \_\_\_\_\_’ (v 17d)