

God, Government, Church, and Christian

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Introduction: appeals on behalf of churches

GBC's Current Plan

Old Testament Background

Genesis 9:5-6; Psalm 82
Judges 17:6

The Political Trap for Jesus

Matthew 22:15-22

Give to Caesar What Is His

Romans 13:1-7

1 Peter 2:13-17

Acts 25:8

Give to God What Is His

Acts 5:29

“God does not hold people responsible to obey civil government when obedience would mean directly disobeying a command of God himself.” (Wayne Grudem, *Christian Ethics*, 437)

Acts 5; Exodus 1; Daniel 6; Daniel 3; Esther 4:16; Matthew 2:1-12

The Challenge? Specific Applications

Romans 14-15

The two great pillars of Romans 14-15:

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Observations from Paul's Example

Acts 16, 21, 22, 23

Acts 25

"Ah, Christians! What is your whole life but a day to fit [prepare] for the hour of death? What is your great business in this world but to prepare for the eternal world?" (Thomas Brooks)