

Seeking the Peace of the City

Peace, Theocracy & Oregon Measures 54, 56 and 59

Living In Exile, Part Four

Sermon Outline by Pastor Dennis Tuuri, September 7, 2008

1. Seek the Peace of the City: A Command Jer. 29:7
2. A Need to Know What Peace Is – The **Goal**
 - A. From Genesis to the Great Commission to Revelation
Theocracy (**Not Ecclesiocracy!**) Does Jesus Reign Now?

 - B. Dt. 4:5-8 – Our Wisdom and God’s Civil Laws (10 Words; “Law” Code?)

 - C. The Reformed Witness - Theonomy/Theocracy

3. An Attention to What Needs to Be Done to Reach the Goal: The **Mechanisms**
 - A. Tongue, Ears, Eyes - Our Mars Hill

 - B. Hands - Christian Voting

4. The **Application** of Command, Goal, and Mechanism to Oregon’s Ballot Measures
 - A. Measure 54 – Pick an **Age** “Amends Constitution: Standardizes voting eligibility for school board elections with other state and local elections.
 - 1.) Military and Enrollment Age: 20
Exo. 30:14; 38:26; Numbers 1:2,3,18; 14:29; 26:2; 2 Chr. 25:5
 - 2.) Ruling Age: 25 or 30 Numbers 4:2,3, 23, 30, 35, 43,47; 8:23-26; 1 Chr. 23:3

 - B. Measure 56 – Taxation, Representation and **Consent** (and Deception!) “Amends Constitution: Provides that May and November property tax elections are decided by majority of voters voting.

 - C. Measure 59 – **Envy** and Paying What You Don’t Ever Get “Creates an unlimited deduction for federal income taxes on individual taxpayers’ Oregon income-tax returns.”

5. The **Analysis** of Our Problem
Sen. Obama’s Experience – Running for Office; Politics and Idolatry
We live in an Arminian (Political) World
God’s Gracious Chastisements

Praying for the City