

QUESTIONS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. According to Paul (Romans 13, 1 Timothy 2, Titus 3) and Peter, what is the purpose of government?
2. What does submission mean?
3. If we disagree with a leader or law, is it wrong to seek to bring change? How should we proceed?
4. Why is it important to have the right attitude in submission?
5. How does our obedience to 1 Peter 2:13-17 give genuine credibility to our faith?

“Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God. Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves. 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 on the one who practices evil. Therefore it is necessary to be in subjection, not only because of wrath, but also for conscience’ sake. 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 them: tax to whom tax is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.”
Romans 13:1-7

“Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed, to malign no one, to be uncontentious, gentle, showing every consideration for all men.”
Titus 3:1-2

“SUBMISSION TO CIVIL AUTHORITY”

1 PETER 2:13-17

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- I. What is the _____ of submission?
Verse 13a
- II. What is the _____ for submission?
Verse 13b

III. What is the _____ of submission?
Verses 13c-14

V. What should be the _____ of submission?
Verse 16

IV. What is the _____ for submission?
Verse 15

VI. What is the _____ of submission?
Verse 17

Memory Verse

“First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.”

1 Timothy 2:1-2