

ROMANS 13:1-2

7/17/21

Today -- I have the opportunity to give a Bible study
Last week -- Discussed all of Romans 12
Considered today -- Discussing all of Romans 13
Today -- Romans 13:1-2

* General Outline of Book of Romans

Romans 1-11	Theological -- explanation of God's righteousness
Romans 12-15	Practical -- application of God's righteousness
Romans 16	Personal -- greetings & references to mutual friends

* Romans 13:1

Rom. 13:1	New King James -- be subject to the governing authorities -- for there is no authority except from God -- and the authorities that exist are appointed by God
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King James -- "ordained [ordered] of God"
Revised Standard -- "instituted by God"
New American Standard -- "established by God"
James Moffatt Translation -- "constituted by God"
Amplified New Testament -- Let every person be loyally subject to the governing (civil) authorities. For there is no authority except from God -- by His permission, His sanction; and those that exist do so by God's appointment.

* Romans 13:2

Rom. 13:2	New King James -- therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves
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Revised Standard -- "resists what God has appointed" -- "those who resist will incur judgment"
New American Standard -- "has opposed the ordinance of God -- "will receive condemnation upon themselves"
James Moffatt Translation -- "is opposing the divine order, and the opposition will bring judgment on themselves"
Amplified New Testament -- Therefore he who resists & sets himself up against the authorities resists what God has appointed and arranged -- in divine order. And those who resist will bring

down judgment upon themselves -- receiving the penalty due them.

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- * True -- The scripture says that resisting man's government will bring penalties
 - * But I want to show you that resisting man's government is NOT automatically resisting God
 - * What is my proof? -- The Bible
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* Resisting civil government

- Exod. 1:22 Pharaoh commanded -- throw every [Hebrew] son who is born into the water
- Josh. 2:3 the king of Jericho sent a message to Rahab -- bring out the men who have come to you, who have entered your house, for they have come to search out all the country
- 4-6 (she hid them and misled the civil leaders)
- Heb. 11:31 "Rahab received the spies with peace"
- James 2:25 "She received the messengers and sent them out another way"
- Dan. 3:4-6 to all people, nations and languages -- whoever does not fall down and worship [the gold image] shall be cast immediately into the middle of a burning fiery furnace
- 13-14 to Shadrach, Meshach & Abed-Nego -- is it true that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up?
- Matt. 2:7-8 to the wise men -- tell me where the child is found
- 16 when Herod saw that he was deceived by the wise men, he was angry and ordered the killing of male children under the age of 2

* Resisting religious government

- 2 Cor. 11:13 deceitful workers -- apostles?
- 15 ministers of righteousness?
- 20 passive behavior -- accepting -- bondage, devour, steal, exalt over and hit
- Acts 4:1 priests, captains of the temple and Sadducees
- 18-20 response
- 21 let them go
- Acts 5:26-28 back before the council
- 29 "we ought to obey God rather than men"

* Resisting civil & religious government

- Rev. 13:1,11 a beast -- another beast

15	worship the image of the beast
16	receive a mark on their right hand & forehead
17	mark -- name -- number
Rev. 20:4	did not worship beast or image -- no mark