

Believer's Response to Government

Romans 13:1-5

Principle

I must submit myself to governing authorities.

One exception: Does the law clearly violate God's Word?

Exodus 1:17. Daniel 1:8, 3:16-18, 6:7

Purposes

1. Ordained by God v.1b
2. Keeps us from rebelling against God v.2a
3. Opposition brings punishment v.2b
4. Restraint of evil v.3a

Purposes

5. Promote good v.3b-4a

6. Empowered to punish v.4b

7. Clean conscience v.5