

God & Government – Decision 2007

Romans 13:1-7 ~ February 4, 2007

Up until the last decade or so, politics and government have often _____ in churches.

Politics and government in the 1st century

- _____
- The _____
- The _____
- _____

The role of government

1. God has _____ civil government (Romans 13:1)
 - “_____” = government is _____
 - Ultimately, civil governments and authorities serve the _____ (Isaiah 40:22-25)
2. Civil government has _____ functions
 - a) Provide for _____ - laws and enforcement (Romans 13:2-4 & 1st Peter 2:13-14)
 - God uses government to _____ and _____
 - b) Provide for _____ (Romans 13:4)
 - *Why do we need military protection?* _____

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c) Civil government should not be involved in:

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____

Our role in government

- 1) _____ it (Romans 13:2-3)
- 2) _____ in it
 - The more that we participate in the process, the better chance we have of _____ government in a more _____
 - It is redeemed _____ living redeemed _____ in the name of Jesus that will _____ of this country
- 3) _____ it (Romans 13:1, 5)
 - *Is there ever a time that we should disobey the government?* _____! (Acts 5:29)
- 4) _____ for it (1st Timothy 2:1-4)
 - *Why are we to pray for our government?*
 - So that we can live _____
 - Because it _____ God

Governments are the _____ to fulfill the _____ of God.