

God and Government

Part 3: *Appeal to Heaven*

Romans 13:1-7

"Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment." –Romans 13:1-2

1. We appeal to heaven on behalf of _____.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." –Genesis 1:26, 27

"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them."
–Psalm 139:13-16

"Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me." –Psalm 51:5 (NIV 1984)

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you..." –Jeremiah 1:5

2. We appeal to heaven on behalf of _____.

"It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him....And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man...Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh." –Genesis 2:18, 22, 24

"But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female'...So they are no longer two but one flesh...What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." –Mark 10:6, 8, 9

*"For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error."
–Romans 1:26-27*

3. We appeal to heaven on behalf of _____.

"He who ignores discipline comes to poverty and shame, but whoever heeds correction is honored." –Proverbs 13:18 (NIV 1984)

*"The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
–Proverbs 22:7*

*All Scripture ESV unless otherwise noted.



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