



**GIVE TO CAESAR WHAT'S CAESAR'S  
GIVE TO GOD WHAT'S GOD'S**

# SINGING IS A BIBLICAL COMMAND

We are commanded to worship with singing privately and corporately as we gather as a church.

The Bible (Word of God) commands His church to worship, sing and play instruments as integral parts of our worship over 200 times.

# WHAT ABOUT THE SCIENCE?

The science is not clear or consistent, it is confusing, inconsistent and contradictory. The science changes week to week.

# DO NOT PROHIBIT THE FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION

Our constitutional right under the First Amendment establishment clause:

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*

# SINGING TO THE LORD IS COMMANDED IN THE BIBLE

Singing together bonds us and draws us closer to the Lord. Worship to the Lord through music connects us to our Creator in a powerful way.

To not sing is to disobey the commands of God's Word to worship

***Colossians 3:16-17 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him (NKJV).***

# OUR BIBLICAL GUIDANCE

Christians are to work together with their governmental leaders whenever possible, challenge our governmental leaders whenever necessary, and pray for our governmental leaders always.

*1 Peter 2:13-17. Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and commend those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men. ... Show proper respect to everyone, love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king.*

# WHAT CAN WE DO?

- We can disagree publicly and respectfully.
- We can passionately and respectfully protest.
- We can righteously and respectfully disobey.

# GIVE TO CAESAR WHAT IS CAESAR'S AND TO GOD WHAT IS GOD'S

Should we pay tribute to Caesar or not? They are asking Jesus, should we acknowledge the superiority, lordship, of the emperor by paying tribute? Who has a coin?



The inscription says: the worshipped son (Tiberius) of a worshipped God (Caesar). What was Jesus saying? Caesar is NOT God

*John 19:8-12 Don't you realize that I have the power to release you or crucify you? Then Jesus said, You would have no power over me at all unless it were given to you from above (NLT).*

# WHAT ARE WE TO GIVE TO CAESAR?

The Bible teaches us to PAY our taxes.

*Romans 13:6-7 Pay your taxes, too, for these same reasons. For government workers need to be paid. They are serving God in what they do. Give to everyone what you owe them: Pay your taxes and government fees to those who collect them... (NLT).*

# WHAT ARE WE TO GIVE TO CAESAR?

The Bible teaches us to TREAT our governmental leaders with RESPECT.

Romans 13:7 ...*and give respect and honor to those who are in authority (NLT).*

# WHAT ARE WE TO GIVE TO CAESAR?

The Bible teaches us to PRAY for our governmental leaders.

1 Timothy 2:2-3 *I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness...*

# THE FIRST AMENDMENT IS CRUCIAL

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion... or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.*

This establishment clause says that the government should never ban religion or the free expression of religious views.

Our religious freedom includes the freedom to take our faith out into the public square and to proclaim the moral principles that we believe are essential to justice and the common good of the whole of society.

# THE BIG IDEA DEFINED IN THE CONSTITUTION

We the people are free to pursue whatever religion we chose, or no religious at all, without fear of political or personal reprisal.

Are we giving too much to Caesar & not enough to God? Is Caesar taking too much.

# GOD'S PEOPLE CAN NO LONGING REMAINED SILENT

It is time to rise up, wake up and stand up against the things that are trying to kill, steal or destroy anything of God (John 10:10) in us.

Our spiritual muscle has atrophied and now is the time to re-strengthen our spiritual muscle by standing strong for what is moral, just, and righteous according to God's Word.

# OUR CHURCH GUIDANCE

1. We need to look at the way we living our lives.
2. We need to carefully study the issues, know the facts.
3. We need to speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15).