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Tim. 2:1-8

I. Intro/Review:

- Review of Institutions
 - A relational structure instituted by God for God and man.
 - All are given for all the world
 - They are the fundamentals of any society

 - Institution of Business - God and Man
 - Institution of Marriage - Man and Woman
 - Institution of Family - Parents and Children
 - Institution of Gov't - Families (Citizens) and Government (Rulers)
- Institution of Government
 - Relationship with the others
 - The development of government
 - What is it?
 - What is its' purpose?
 - The roles and responsibilities
 - Rulers
 - Citizens

II. Preview:

- Relationship of the institution of government and other institutions
- The development of government
 - Christ
 - Heaven - angels
 - Earth - man
 - Scattered over the earth
 1. Boundaries
 2. Tongues
 3. Families

III. Sermon:

- Relationship of the institution of government and other institutions
 - What is government over?
 - People - where do these people come from?
 - Institution of Business
 - Institution of Marriage
 - Institution of Family
 - Governments have rulers of a nation which is comprised of families
 - Gen. 12:3 - "...in thee shall families of the earth be blessed."

- Gal. 3:8 - "...in thee shall all nations be blessed."
 - Without marriages, without families there would be no government
1. Development of government
- 1.1 - The Godhead - head of all - supreme in authority
- 1.2 - God's eternal purpose in Christ
- Divine family and divine government
 - Eph. 1:10, 19-23
 - Col. 1:19-20
 - Civil government is a reflection of Christ's kingdom
 - Christ created gov't
 - Col. 1:15-18
 - Christ will rule therein (Isa. 9)
 - Realms - Ps. 8
 - Heaven - angels
 - Earth - man
 - Institution of business - each man and woman to have dominion on the earth over himself or herself in faithful obedience to God's word.
 - Institution of marriage/family - the broadening of that dominion and ruling together
 - Families allow for government
- 1.3 - The composition of government
1. Boundaries - Acts 17:26-27; Deut. 32:7-9; Gen. 10:25 (:5 - isles); Rev. 16:17-21 (Gen. 7:11 - fountains of deep broken up)
 2. Tongues - tower of Babel; Gen. 11:7-9
 3. Families - Gen. 10:5
- 1.4 - Prior to the Flood
- Gen. 6:5-8, 11-13 - wickedness, corruption, evil, VIOLENCE
 - Gen. 4:8-9 - slew, am I my brother's keeper
 - 1 Jn. 3:12
 - Jude 1:11
- 1.5 - Post Flood
- Gen. 9:5-6 - requiring of blood
 - The conscience educated - Rom. 1:28-32
 - Rom. 2:12-15 - accusing or else excusing one another
 - Brotherhood - Rom. 12:10, 20; 1 Pet. 2:13-17

IV. Conclusion:

1. Government an institution that reflects the preeminent authority of the Godhead
2. Government is created by Jesus Christ
3. Government resides in the heaven and on earth
4. Government in heaven and earth will be reconciled to God by Christ by adoption
5. Government consists of 1) boundaries (places), 2) tongues, and 3) people (families)
6. Government on earth is for every man to have liberty to faithfully obey God
7. Government is ordained to be against the wickedness, corruption, evil, and violence prior to the flood
8. Government, this power, became powers when the families were scattered into the bounds of their habitation
9. Government thus excused and accused those that were worthy of death based upon God's requirement of blood - something that they would do even when they did not like to retain God in their knowledge