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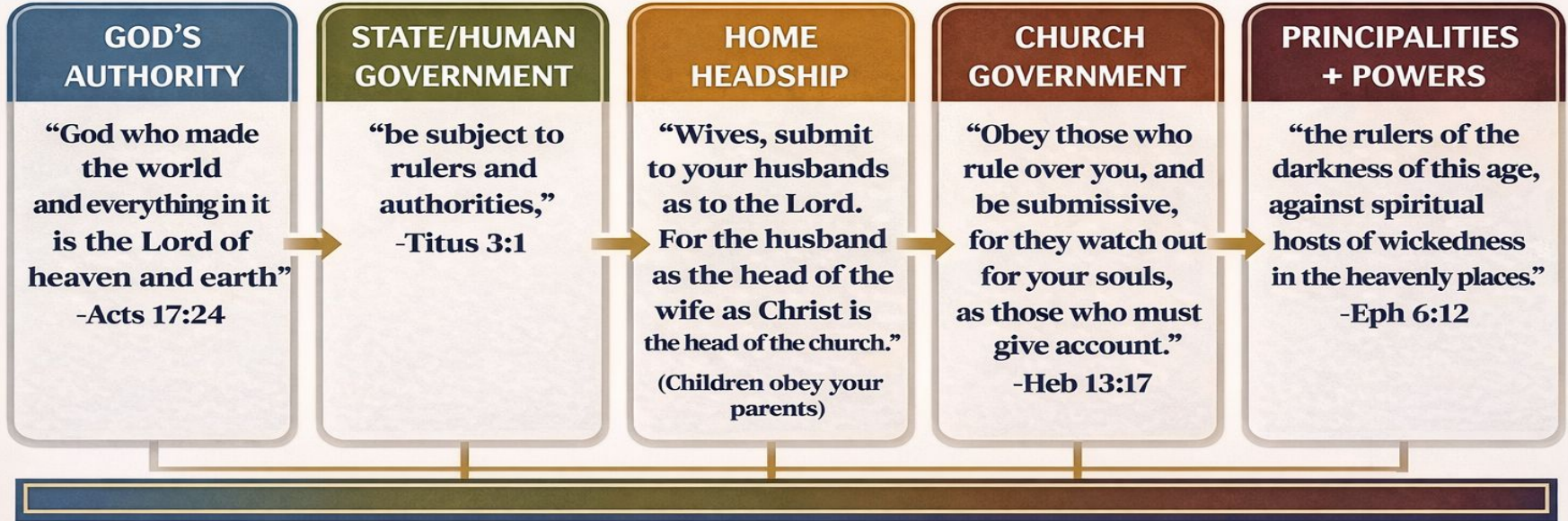
THE GOSPEL OF PAUL

ROMANS 13:1-7

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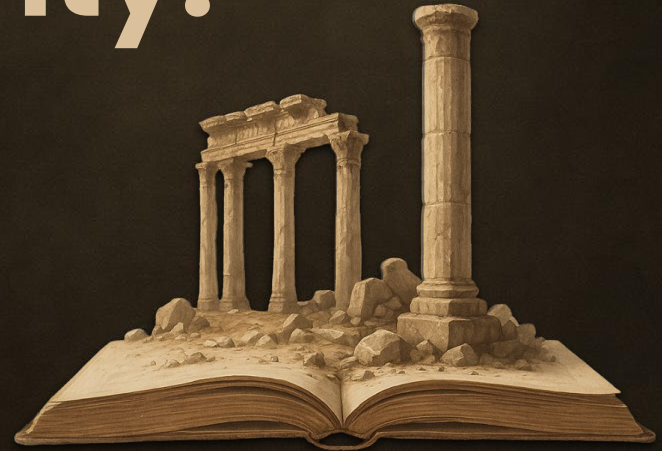


John 19:11

“You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above.” (ESV)



**All authority falls under
God's sovereignty.**



1 Pet 4:15

“But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people’s matters.”



Prov 11:1

**“Dishonest scales are an
abomination to the LORD,
But a just weight is His
delight.”**



Deut 25:15-16

“You must maintain accurate and honest weights and measures, so that you may live long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

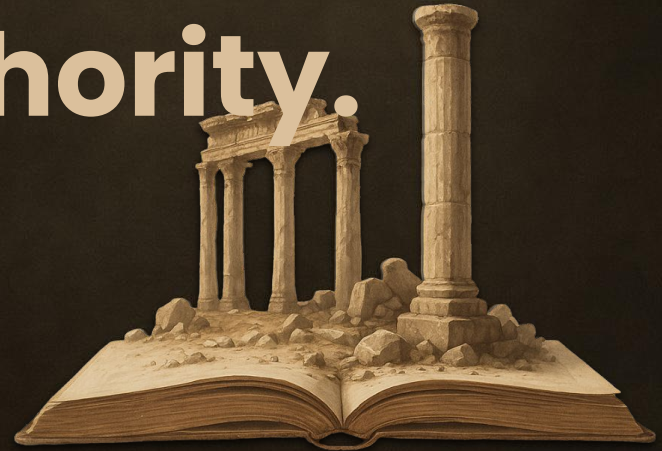


Deut 25:15-16

**16 For everyone who behaves dishonestly in regard to these things is detestable to the LORD your God.”
(BSB)**



**We ought to operate
with all integrity because
ultimately we're all
under God's authority.**



**We must be capable
without being
culpable.**



**Our conscience must
compel our compliance.**



**Our priority is to obey
the highest authority.**



Acts 5:29

**“But Peter and the
other apostles replied,
“We must obey God rather
than men.”**



The gospel is political.



Prov 29:2

**“When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice;
But when a wicked man rules, the people groan.”**



**God's appointment
isn't necessarily God's
endorsement.**



Dan 4:25 ISV

**“You'll be driven from people,
and you'll live among wild
animals of the field. You'll eat
grass like cattle and be soaked
with the dew of the sky while
seven years pass you by**



Dan 4:25 ISV

–until you realize that the Most High is sovereign over human kingdoms and grants them to whomever He desires.”



Hosea 8:4 BSB

“They set up kings, but not by Me. They make princes, but without My approval.”



**When you think of God's
sovereignty, don't
think puppetry.**



Prov 21:1

**“The king’s heart is in the hand
of the LORD, Like the rivers
of water; He turns it wherever
He wishes.”**



