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- Why does the word “submit” seem like a bad word in today’s society?
- How do you think most Christians today view the American government?
- In general, are Christians involved in politics too much or too little?
- What does it look like to submit to the government?
- What are some scenarios where being a servant of God would outweigh being a citizen (Where might you need to choose to “obey God rather than man?”)
- Read **Romans 13:1-7**. In what ways is this passage similar to our passage? In what ways is it different?
- Who are some people the world does not honor well? How can we begin to show them honor?
- Would you describe your heart as more rebellious or submissive overall? How about when it comes to the government? Employer?
- Do you respect your boss?
- How can you practically honor your boss this week?
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- **PRAY** for opportunities this week to submit to your boss or the government in order to display God’s glory.

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