

Romans 13:1-7

**Main Point:** Submission to civil authorities is an expression of Christian love

***Submission to civil authorities is an expression of Christian love because:***

**1. Honoring civil authorities demonstrates our love for God's design (1-2)**

**2. It demonstrates our love for obedience to God (2-7)**

**Implications:**

**1. The worship and word of God is what spreads the gospel in a fallen world - not worldly means of resistance.**

**2. Faithfulness to God will sometimes require us to resist authority.**

**3. The focus of the Christian mind should be on doing good - not on what you can "get away with."**