

1 Peter 2:13–17 (ESV)

<sup>13</sup> Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, <sup>14</sup> or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. <sup>15</sup> For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. <sup>16</sup> Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. <sup>17</sup> Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

Your relationship with God determines the nature of your relationship with everyone else.

Your actions flow from your identity, or, your identity determines your lifestyle.

1. Your relationship with authorities is a reflection on the ultimate authority.
2. Your relationship with difficult leaders and authorities demonstrates the truth of the gospel
3. Citizenship in God's kingdom is not the same thing as diplomatic immunity
4. Your relationship with God determines the nature of your relationship with others.

3 ways to live for the glory of God in the current political chaos:

1. Pray for those in leadership.
2. Be informed, equipped, and engaged.  
"Politics is too important to be left to the politicians."

2. Be informed, equipped, and engaged.

"Its actually more important that you are able to process and think about the issues of our day through a Christian (or Biblical) worldview."

3. Serve others and share the gospel

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