

5. Paul does not tell us here to “obey the laws of the land,” but rather to honor those in authority and to pay taxes and custom fees.

a. Suggest reasons why these specific forms of obedience are named.

b. If someone *fudges* on areas such as these, what effect does this have on the conscience?

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## PERSONAL APPLICATION

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- Based on this Bible study, in what area(s) will you be working to bring (or keep) your own life more in line with the *submission principle*?

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

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**Submitting to One Another, Part 7b:  
Submission to Civic Authorities**



Series: “Our Identity in Christ” — Ephesians #107

Introduction: EPHESIANS 5:15-21; ROMANS 13:1-7

Review from March 11:

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I. Why are Christians and government often at odds with one another?...

II. What does God expect of you regarding government?...

III. Does God want compliance or cooperation?...

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IV. Why should you \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_?

- You should submit because \_\_\_\_\_!

A. You should submit because

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

ROMANS 13:1; JOHN 19:11; ROMANS 9:17 ; HABAKKUK 1:6; ISAIAH 7:20

B. You should submit because of the

\_\_\_\_\_.

ROMANS 13:2-4; 12:9

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C. You should submit to \_\_\_\_\_  
a \_\_\_\_\_.

ROMANS 13:5-7; HEBREWS 5:14; 1 TIMOTHY 1:5; HEBREWS 9:14; 10:22

V. \_\_\_\_\_ there \_\_\_\_\_ times  
you \_\_\_\_\_?

A. There may be \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_,  
but you should \_\_\_\_\_  
a \_\_\_\_\_.

SEE DANIEL 1; 3; 6; ACTS 4.

B. Utilize \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ governmental systems  
without \_\_\_\_\_.

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-6

Conclusion: Don't let anything stand between you and a

\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ!

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## STUDY & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. What are some common ways many Christians violate the principles of ROMANS 13:1-7 today?

2. How should a Christian respond to the dilemma of having some of his tax dollars being used to promote something like the abortion industry? Defend your answer.

3. In what specific ways have you seen our government being hostile toward Christianity? How should you respond to this?

4. Explain the difference between *disobedience* and *defiance*.