



GOD'S EXPATRIATES

"Elections, Activism, & Civil Disobedience"

VARIOUS TEXTS

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1. Recall _____

2. Clarify _____

3. Distinguish _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org.

1. Read **Revelation 18:1-24**. How does the contemplation of the end of worldly governments serve to adjust your view of them?
2. Read **Daniel 1:1-21**. How does this opening episode of what would become Daniel's extended role in the successive political cabinets of Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon through Cyrus' Persia, illustrate the challenges of godly people in political life?
3. Read **1 Peter 2:13-17** and **3:13-17** and **4:14-16**. How do you imagine the Christians Peter is addressing went about applying these sets of instructions, knowing that much of the suffering and insults Peter and his congregation faced came as a result of the sinful, anti-Christian government under which they lived?
4. Read **Titus 3:1-8**. What types of Christian "good works" do you believe set the most impressive example of Christianity for our secular leaders?
5. Read **1 Timothy 2:1-4**. Knowing this has been a repeated application point throughout this series, what have you done (or will you do) to increase the time and effort you spend on praying for your government leaders?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

June 26th

Job 7-9 & Ac.7:44-60

June 27th

Job 10-12 & Ac.8:1-25

June 28th

Job 13-15 & Ac.8:26-40

June 29th

Job 16-18 & Ac.9:1-22

June 30th

Job 19-20 & Ac.9:23-43

July 1st

Job 21-22 & Ac.10:1-23

July 2nd

Job 23-25 & Ac.10:24-48

July 3rd

Job 26-28 & Ac.11

Today's sermon will be recorded and available on CD at the Focal Point Ministries window in the lobby immediately following today's service. For sermons on MP3 go to FPR.info. The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 1118 – **Human Laws & Christian Conduct**

CD # 1117 – **God's Surprising Use of Governments**

CD # 0531 – **The Next World Order: Looking Forward Without Giving Up**

CD # 1112 – **The King of Kings: And Some Unlikely Princes & Princesses**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Galli, Mark, ed. **Christianity and the American Revolution**. Christian History Magazine, Issue 50. Christianity Today, 1996.

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Kik, J. Marcellus. **Church and State: The Story of Two Kingdoms**. Thomas Nelson, 1963.

Lutzer, Erwin. **Is God On America's Side? The Surprising Answer & How it Affects Our Future**. Moody Press, 2008.

_____. **Twelve Myths Americans Believe**. Moody Press, 1993.

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Sandoz, Ellis. **Political Sermons of the American Founding Era, 1730–1805**. Liberty Fund, 2010.

Thomas, Cal & Ed Dobson. **Blinded by Might: Why the Religious Right Can't Save America (2nd Ed.)**. Zondervan, 2000.