

Greetings, today our manna is 1Sam. 15 Romans 13; Jeremiah 52; Psalms 31

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1Sam. 15

YHWH Rejects Saul

1Sa 15:1 And Shemu'el said to Sha'ul, **"יהוה sent me to anoint you sovereign over His people, over Yisra'el. And now, listen to the voice of the words of יהוה."**

1Sa 15:2 "Thus said יהוה of hosts,

- **'I shall punish Amalëq for what he did to Yisra'el**, how he set himself against him on the way when he came up from Mitsrayim.
- **1Sa 15:3** Now go, and you shall strike Amalëq and **put under the ban all that he has, and you shall not spare them, and put to death from man to woman, from infant to nursing child, from ox to sheep, from camel to donkey.'**"
- **1Sa 15:4** Then Sha'ul summoned the people and **mustered them in Tela'im, two hundred thousand foot soldiers and ten thousand men of Yehudah.**

Saul forewarns the Qëynites to flee from the midst of the Amalëqites.

1Sa 15:5 And Sha'ul came to a city of Amalëq, and lay in wait in the wadi.

1Sa 15:6 And Sha'ul said to the Qëynites, "Go, turn aside, come down from among the Amalëqites, lest I destroy you with them. For you did show loving-commitment to all the children of Yisra'el when they came up out of Mitsrayim." So the Qëynites turned aside from the midst of the Amalëqites.

Saul strikes the Amalëqites but doesn't follow through with all the commands of YHWH.

1Sa 15:7 And **Sha'ul struck the Amalëqites, from Hawilah all the way to Shur, which is before Mitsrayim.**

- **1Sa 15:8** And **he caught Aġaġ sovereign of the Amalëqites alive**, and put under the ban all the people with the edge of the sword.
- **1Sa 15:9** **But Sha'ul and the people spared Aġaġ and the best of the sheep, and the cattle, and the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not put them under the ban. But all goods despised and worthless, that they put under the ban.**

YHWH and Samuel are grieved at Saul's disobedience.

1Sa 15:10 **And the word of יהוה came to Shemu'el, saying,**

- 1Sa 15:11 **"I am grieved that I have set up Sha'ul as sovereign,**
- for he has turned back from following Me,
- and has not performed My words." And it displeased Shemu'el, and he cried to יהוה all night.

Saul sets up monument to himself.

1Sa 15:12 **And Shemu'el rose early in the morning to meet Sha'ul, and it was told to Shemu'el, saying,**

- "Sha'ul went to Karmel, and see, he set up a monument for himself, then turned and passed over, and went down to Gilgal."

1Sa 15:13 **And Shemu'el came to Sha'ul, and Sha'ul said to him, "Blessed are you of יהוה! I have performed the word of יהוה."**

Saul shifts accountability and responsibility.

1Sa 15:14 **But Shemu'el said, "What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the cattle which I hear?"**

1Sa 15:15 **And Sha'ul said, "They have brought them from Amalēq, because the people spared the best of the sheep and the cattle, to slaughter to יהוה your Elohim. And the rest we have put under the ban."**

Samuel confronts Saul.

1Sa 15:16 **And Shemu'el said to Sha'ul, "Wait, and let me declare to you what יהוה said to me last night." And he said to him, "Speak."**

1Sa 15:17 **And Shemu'el said,**

- "Though you were little in your own eyes, were you not head of the tribes of Yisra'el?"
- And did not יהוה anoint you sovereign over Yisra'el?
- 1Sa 15:18 "And יהוה sent you on the way, and said, 'Go, and you shall put under the ban the sinners, the Amalēqites, and fight against them until they are consumed.'
- 1Sa 15:19 "And why did you not obey the voice of יהוה, but swooped down on the spoil, and did evil in the eyes of יהוה?"

Saul continues in ‘denial of disobedience’ and blames his people.

1Sa 15:20 **And Sha’ul said to Shemu’ël,** “I did obey the voice of יהוה, and I went on the way on which יהוה sent me, and brought back Aḡaḡ sovereign of Amalëq, and I put Amalëq under the ban.

1Sa 15:21 **“But the people took of the spoil,** of the sheep and cattle, the best of that which should have been put under the ban, to slaughter to יהוה your Elohim in Gilgal.”

Samuel tells Saul to obey is better than slaughterings [sacrifice]. Rebellion is as the sin of divination; stubbornness is as wickedness and idolatry.

1Sa 15:22 **Then Shemu’ël said,** “Does יהוה delight in ascending offerings and slaughterings, as in obeying the voice of יהוה? Look, to obey is better than a slaughtering, to heed is *better* than the fat of rams.

1Sa 15:23 **“For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and stubbornness is as wickedness and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of יהוה, He also does reject you as sovereign.”**

Saul repents but that doesn’t negate the fact that YHWH had rejected him from being sovereign over Israel.

1Sa 15:24 And Sha’ul said to Shemu’ël, “I have sinned, for I have transgressed the mouth of יהוה and your words, **because I feared the people and listened to their voice.**

1Sa 15:25 “And now, please pardon my sin, and return with me, and let me bow myself to יהוה.”

1Sa 15:26 **But Shemu’ël said to Sha’ul,** “I do not return with you, for you have rejected the word of יהוה, and יהוה does reject you from being sovereign over Yisra’ël.”

Samuel’s robe is torn, and he uses that as a sign to tell Saul that YHWH had ‘torn the reign of Israel from him and has given the reign to another.

1Sa 15:27 **And as Shemu’ël turned around to go away,** Sha’ul took hold of the edge of his robe, and it tore.

1Sa 15:28 **And Shemu’ël said to him,** “יהוה has torn the reign of Yisra’ël from you today, and has given it to a neighbor of yours, better than you.

1Sa 15:29 **“Moreover, the Eminence of Yisra’ël does not lie nor relent.** For He is not a

man, that He should relent.”

1Sa 15:30 Then he said, “I have sinned. But esteem me now, please, before the elders of my people and before Yisra’ël, and return with me, and I shall bow myself to יהוה your Elohim.”

1Sa 15:31 And Shemu’ël turned back after Sha’ul, and Sha’ul bowed himself to יהוה.

Samuel now finishes the job that Saul should have done.

1Sa 15:32 **And Shemu’ël said,** “Bring Aġaġ sovereign of the Amalĕqites here to me.” So Aġaġ came to him delightedly, and Aġaġ said, “Truly, the bitterness of death has turned aside.”

1Sa 15:33 And Shemu’ël said, “As your sword bereaved women, let your mother be bereaved among women too.” Shemu’ël then hewed Aġaġ to pieces before יהוה in Gilgal.

Samuel goes to Ramah and Saul goes to his house in Giḅ’ah. Disobedience brings consequences and it affects many.

1Sa 15:34 And Shemu’ël went to Ramah, while Sha’ul went up to his house at Giḅ’ah of Sha’ul.

1Sa 15:35 And Shemu’ël did not see Sha’ul again until the day of his death, for Shemu’ël mourned for Sha’ul. And יהוה was grieved that He had made Sha’ul to reign over Yisra’ël.

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Romans 13 – Part 1

Does Shaul/Paul advocate for blind submission to government authority? The first seven verses of Romans 13 have been used and abused by the Institutional Church to establish religio-political authoritarian positions. Scripture advocates for behavior that is lawful to Yahuwah, refuting tyranny that is a terror to good works.

The first seven verses of Romans Chapter 13 have been some of the most misused and abused verses by clergymen and governments alike – the false teaching of total submission to all government authority.

So, first off lets tackle the false idea of total submission to government authority; this has led to the loss of more Christian/believers dominion/territory in the religio-political landscape than any other false doctrine of man...(explained in podcast see link below).

Matthew 15:7 Hypocrites! Rightly did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying, ‘This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me.:9 And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’”

The ethics of First Century Roman taxation are likely the context (vs 6-7), and a prior incident that had erupted in ancient Rome is probably guiding Paul’s instruction here.

The Roman believers had been swayed by their fellow citizens to a resistance to paying taxes to an increasingly predatory Roman government – more legislation, less freedom – all done in the name of *‘peace and freedom.’*

In Nero’s early years, he considered abolishing indirect taxes as opposed to direct tax paid as tribute by a conquered nation.

Some scholars believe that it’s not actually the Roman government that’s in view here, but instead submission of the non-Jewish, Greek and Roman believers to Jewish religious authority.

Judeo-Christianity is a rotting limb from the Talmudic tree that infiltrated Christianity during the 20th century; and has produced the fruit of today’s religio-politics; which has in turn; resulted in the blind wonderment to everything Israel, and the resulting unquestioning adherence to a growing tide of governmental rule funded from this Talmudic tree.

Over the next few weeks we’re going to look in depth into Romans 13 and investigate the Scriptural validity to *“total submission to government”*, we’re going to investigate the

Scriptural validity into the “*Patriot Movement*” – or “*Constitutionalist’s Movement*”, we’re going to find out how יהוה has called us to interact and react with our host nations governing powers.

Submission to the Authorities

Rom 13:1 Let every being be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from Elohim, and the authorities that exist are appointed by Elohim.

Rom 13:2 So he who opposes the authority withstands the institution of Elohim, and those who withstand shall bring judgment on themselves.

Rom 13:3 For those ruling are an object of fear, not to good works, but to evil. Do you wish to be not afraid of the authority? Do the good, and you shall have praise from it,

Rom 13:4 for it is a servant of Elohim to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid, for it does not bear the sword in vain. For it is a servant of Elohim, a revenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil.

Rom 13:5 Therefore, it is necessary to be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of the conscience.

Rom 13:6 For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are servants of Elohim attending continually to these duties.

Rom 13:7 Render therefore to all what is due to them: tax to whom tax *is due*, toll to whom toll, fear to whom fear, respect to whom respect.

Vs. 1-7 the Judeo-Christian interpretation: יהוה has established the governing authorities therefore it’s our duty and honor to submit to them in decree and judgement at any given time.

Now we know from the backdrop of the Tanakh that on the whole the governments of the world have been established by יהוה at least in some function:

Isaiah 45:1 Thus says יהוה to Cyrus, His anointed, whom I have taken by the right hand, to subdue nations before him and to loose the loins of kings, to open doors before him so that gates will not be shut.

Proverbs 8:15 By me kings reign, and rulers decree justice, By me princes rule, and nobles, all who judge rightly.

John 19:11 Yeshua said, “You would have no authority over me, unless it had been given you from above.”

But none of these verses support blind obedience, in-fact the bible warns us that...

Hosea 5:11 Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandments of man.

Acts 17:5 And the unbelieving Jews (there’s you’re Talmudic root) ,having been moved with envy, and having taken to them, certain lewd fellows of

the baser sort, and having made a crowd, were setting the city in an uproar; having assailed also the house of Jason, they were seeking them to bring them to the populace,

Act 17:6 and not having found them, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the city rulers, calling aloud—'These, having put the world in commotion, are also here present, 7 whom Jason hath received; and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying another to be king— Yahusha' 8 And they troubled the multitude and the city rulers, hearing these things, 9 and having taking security from Jason and the rest, they let them go.

The Talmudic Jews – V.5; filled with hate and envy for the followers of Yahusha sought to bring them in front of the cities governing authorities and set them up as adversaries to the state based upon presumptions and assumptions, drawing them into the system and leading them into the noose, from which they could easily hang themselves.

Meekness; is strength under control: ***Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth...The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.....But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.....יהוה lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.....But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth.....unto the meek; he hath sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;.....Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.***

Yahusha's disciples obviously preached and lived an unconditional submission to King Yahusha in contrast to a limited submission to worldly governing authorities, always ready to resist and disobey a Nero – or; anti-Christ authority!

“Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God.” Thomas Jefferson.

Acts 5:29, 41-42 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey יהוה rather than men.....And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Yahusha Ha Moshiach.

Be careful where you stand: Proverbs 17:15 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to יהוה.

Romans 13:1 *Let every person submit himself to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from יהוה, and those that exist are put in place by יהוה.*

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *God has established every ruler so believers should submit to those God has placed over them.”*

A ruler’s authority has limits – יהוה has given no absolute and unlimited power to man above the law.

British jurist Sir William Blackstone encapsulated v. 1 well in 1765 when he said; *“no human laws are of any validity if contrary to this; the law of God.”*

Paul is informing the Romans community that they’re to obey the laws of the magistrates so far as they govern according to the law of יהוה.

But look; Paul is also commanding the governing authorities themselves to be in subjection to יהוה’s laws; they’re not above the laws themselves but bound by them....

and any magistrate that takes upon himself to act contrary to what Paul makes the duty of those in authority; then neither is that power nor that magistrate ordained by יהוה – they just disqualified themselves by their actions (Caiaphas), so consequently, to such a magistrate no subjection is commanded or due.

Such a magistrate or power the Roman believers aren’t forbidden to resist, because by doing so they’re not resisting a magistrate or power; but a pirate, a tyrant and an enemy.

In the 1770’s Pastor Samuel West said before the signing of the Declaration of Independence; *“the same principles which oblige us to submit to government do equally oblige us to resist tyranny; or that tyranny and magistracy are so opposed to each other that where the one begins the other ends.”*

Believers have always had to reject civil authority when it becomes a conflict of interest; a civil authority that isn’t set up and sanctioned by יהוה and is no longer enforcing His laws is not a legitimate authority according to Paul in V.1.....”*let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power if not of Elohim.”*

Romans 13:2 *So whoever opposes the authority has resisted YHWH’s direction, and those who have resisted will bring judgment on themselves.*

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *“If you resist the governing authorities you’re rebelling against God and you’ll be punished by God”.*

The fact is we live in **“MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.”**

V.2 Paul is saying believers being in resistance or rebellion against authority is wrong.....*but* only against lawful or Yah-commissioned government authority is his point!

Ephesians 5:11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.

Paul's saying, that resisting a just authority, which is in line with יהוה is wrong. You'd be resisting יהוה and therefore you'd be punished by Him.

But this verse *isn't* saying that those who resist *unreasonable powers* which are contrary to the law of יהוה are resisting יהוה –*heaven forbid no!* Resisting those who resist YHWH's will is not the same thing as resisting יהוה.

Daniel committed a crime against the ruling authorities, but he committed no crime against יהוה or against the king when he prayed from his room in violation of the ruling edict.

Daniel 6:21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live forever. 22 My Elohim hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocence was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I committed no crime.

Romans 13:3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Now if you do not want to fear the authority, do what is good and you will get his approval 4 for he is YHWH's servant to you for your good.

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *be quite, get in line, be a good citizen and you'll be left alone.*

V. 3 now begins to unravel the “*total submission to government*” camps theology.

Paul is speaking of civil rulers, to which believers are to be obedient to because they're godly rulers who're exercising their office and power as benefactors to society.

The civil rulers are serving both the believing community and society at large.

(Rome had many pro Jewish laws on the books regarding worship and public assembly), because of this service they're not going to be a 'terror to good works', 'but to the evil (in society).'

In this case they're YHWH's ministers for good because they protect the believers and society from the evil and execute wrath upon those that do the evil.

V.3 If rulers aren't 'a terror for evil' and if rulers don't 'praise the good works' of the believing community as it serves society then we're not to acquiesce to their rule.

Were the governing authorities being ‘a terror to evil’ or ‘a terror to good works’ in Acts 4:1 when Peter and John were rounded up before the civil rulers for preaching Yahusha, and doing the ‘good works’ in the healing of the cripple?

Were the civil authorities being ‘a terror to evil’ or ‘a terror to good works’ when they threatened them and commanded them not to speak the name of Yahusha and teach his doctrine as they understood it? **“We ought to obey Yah rather than man!”**

Romans 13:4 For he is the minister of Elohim to thee for good. But if you do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of Elohim, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *more submission.*

Context: the civil government spoken of in verse 4 is ‘the minister’ of the Most High – not ‘the minister’ of ‘Mystery Babylon’.

Legitimate law; to which ‘the ministers of Elohim’ all govern from has one origin; and it’s not Babylon!

James 4:12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?

Isaiah 33.22: For יהוה is our judge, יהוה is our lawgiver, יהוה is our king; he will save us.

Today our courts judgements are based upon secular humanism, the ever-changing morality of man. Their judgements aren’t Elohim’s judgments.

V.4 – ‘A Revenger’ – ‘ekdikos’ – one who carries justice out!

Isaiah 45:24 Only in יהוה are righteousness and strength.

1 John 2:29 If you know that יהוה is righteous, you know that everyone that doeth righteousness is born of him.

1 John 3:10 In this the children of Elohim are manifest, and the children of S.A.Tan, whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of Elohim.

If the court and chambers are full of judges and magistrates that don’t judge according to righteousness then.....**‘if you have a matter against another, don’t go to law before the unjust....go instead and stand before the saints.....let brother go to law with brother and not before the heathen...’**(1Corinthians 6:1).

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Romans 13 – Part 2

Can we follow the instruction of Yahuwah and obey the government? All established government is based upon a theocracy, but the elohim being served is not always Yahuwah. As believers in a world that does not value righteousness, we must remain true to Yah, but we must walk a path of maturity, temperance, and self-control, empowered by the Ruach ha’Kodesh/Holy Spirit.

Additional Insights on Romans 13:5-8

Rom 13:5 Therefore, it is necessary to be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of the conscience.

Rom 13:6 For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are servants of Elohim attending continually to these duties.

Rom 13:7 Render therefore to all what is due to them: tax to whom tax *is due*, toll to whom toll, fear to whom fear, respect to whom respect.

Romans 13:5 Therefore it is necessary to be in submission—not only because of punishment but also because of conscience.

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *It’s the conscientious obligation of every believer to submit to government authority. period.*

In reality V.5 is telling us to submit to the Holy Spirit led conscience within the believer which will always lead one to the righteous judgments of יהוה. If a magistrate is established by Elohim, in harmony with the judgments of Elohim, as His minister, then we should likewise seek to be in harmony with the magistrate and powers, to do otherwise would be rebellion toward Elohim.

We’re to avoid factitious and seditious persons who oppose good government. These types of person are to be marked and avoided in our assemblies, as they become monsters and enemies, a danger within the camp.

The context is, your conscience (Spirit led – not carnal man). A time to submit...a time to rebel against authority.

Romans 13:6 For this reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are Elohim’s servants, attending diligently to this very thing.

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *Believers are obliged to pay taxes to all civil authorities.*

Context: “for this reason.” What reason? Because the identified authorities are “*Elohim’s ministers.*”

Those who perform the duty of Elohim's rulers are supposed to be continually attending to public welfare and good.

Thomas Jefferson wrote; *'to compel a man to furnish contributions of money for the propagation of opinions or actions which he disbelieves or abhors, is sinful and tyrannical....'*

There is such a thing as biblically authorized taxes, and as such we're explicitly charged to pay them...so again; be aware of the factitious and seditious man for factions sake just as you should be aware of the docile plumb who's god is government!

Romans 13:7 Pay to everyone what is due them—tribute to whom tribute is due; tax to whom tax is due; respect to whom respect is due; honor to whom honor is due. Fulfilling the Law Through Love.

Judeo-Christian interpretation: *believers are obligated to pay all taxes placed upon them, without question, even if it's oppressive and used to finance wickedness.*

What when a nation uses all its wealth and power to hurt and injure the public?

In context of V. 4 don't they then move away from being Elohim's minister's to S.a.tan's ministers?

2 Chronicles 19:2 Should you help the wicked and love those who hate יהוה? Because of this, wrath from before יהוה is against you.

We have to follow our conscience as believers (V.5) because to willingly finance and submit to ministers of evil is akin to endorsing the evil deeds.

Luke 23:2 And they began to accuse Him, saying, "We found this fellow subverting our nation, forbidding payment of taxes to Caesar and saying that He Himself is Messiah—a king."

A misquote of Matthew 22:18, But Yeshua, knowing their wickedness, said, "Why are you testing Me, you hypocrites?19 Show Me the tax money." So they brought Him a denarius.20 And He said to them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"21 "Caesar's," they said to Him. Then He said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to Elohim the things that are Elohim's."

The Talmudic Jew's were feeding Yahusha rope hoping he'd hang himself, just as today. Think about it *if* Yahusha was promoting Caesar's tyrannical tax, then why would the Talmudic Jew's try to entrap him? It makes no sense. Obviously Yahusha wasn't paying taxes and the Jew's knew it!

Yahusha avoids their noose and challenges them to choose their god!

If you're serving Caesar, you'd better pay him, but If you're serving יהוה you'd be better pay tithe unto Him.

Matthew 17:24 *When they came to Capernaum, the collectors of the Temple tax came to Peter and said, "Your teacher pays the Temple tax, doesn't He?"* 25 *"Yes," Peter said. Now when Peter came into the house, Yeshua spoke to him first, saying, "What do you think, Simon? The kings of the earth, from whom do they collect tolls or tax? From their sons or from strangers?"*26 *After Peter said, "From strangers," Yeshua said to him, "Then the sons are free. 27 But so that we do not offend them, go to the sea and throw out a hook, and take the first fish that comes up. And when you open its mouth, you'll find a coin. Take that, and give it to them, for Me and you."*

Yahusha, the King of Kings, corrects Peter and informs him that those under His authority – sons of Elohim were exempt from the taxation of other kings. Yahusha then goes onto to tell Peter to pay the tax 'so as not to offend them' and be proven a liar.

Yahusha didn't allow Peter to pay out of their own ministry funds (*they were automatically tax exempt*), instead he was to get the money out of a fish's mouth.

We have to walk according to conscience V. 5, in reality as servants of King Yahusha and 'bnai elohim', we're not subject to the tax of other Kings.

We certainly shouldn't pay taxes out of the ministry funds.

But even though I'm free from taxes as a son of the King if evading tax would cause me to lie and offend the tax collectors.

We're commanded to resist tyrants: 1 Peter 5:8 *Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.*9 *Whom resist steadfast in the faith.*

John 18:3 *Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.*

Leviticus 19:19 *The laws of Kilyaim: You shall keep my statutes; you shall not cause your livestock to breed with different kinds; you shall not sow two kinds in your field; and you shall not allow a garment mixed of linen and wool to come upon you.*

Judas wanted Yahusha to come into line with his religious-political worldview, so much so that he was willing to endanger Him and the disciples to do so. Judas violated the laws of Kilyaim and it brought death into the camp.

Tear down the Constitution with the Word of יהוה and you choose which god you serve!

Exodus 20:1 I am יהוה your Elohim, who has brought you out from the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. 2 You shall not have any other gods before Me.

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

The Elohim יהוה or the elohim “*We the people?*” Yahwistic Monotheism or the elohim of Secular Humanism – Polytheism?

In 1776 יהוה was abandoned and “*We the people*” became the new god, the new national idol.

We’re still under a theocracy; every nation is under a theocracy (Gen. 11). A government’s laws reflect its morality and the source of that morality is always its national god. Someone’s morality is always being enforced.

We need to go back a century before the 1700’s/18th century to the 1600’s or 17th century.

In New Haven Connecticut 1639 the saints adopted the bible, the law of Moses as the Constitution.

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and he shall wear out the saints of the Most High. And he intends to change times and law. And they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and one half time.

A change of times and law happened when the US Constitution was adopted. We went from Puritan Colonies who banned Christmas, followers יהוה and biblical law into Citizens of a Secular Humanism serving the god “*We the people*” and the holidays of foreign gods. Gen. 11.

A change of law always brings about a change in deity.

Habakkuk 1:4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.

Habakkuk 1:7 They are terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves...v.11 Then shall his mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, imputing this his power unto his god.

Whatever happened to the governments of the New England Colonies that served יהוה and upheld biblical law?

2 Corinthians 3:17 where the Spirit of יהוה is, there is liberty.

Ask yourselves is the Spirit of יהוה in the Constitution?

Just like Achan we've got an accursed thing buried under our tent in WA. DC.

Romans 13:8 Owe no one anything except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the Torah.

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Romans 13 – Part 3

Who is the True Lawgiver, man or Yahuwah? Yahuwah's government looks nothing like the corrupt government of men. We have responsibilities and requirements for stewarding the life that Yahuwah has blessed us with, and we will be required to answer for our decisions. The only true liberty we can ever find is in walking in Royal Covenant Torah.

Fulfilling the Law Through Love

Rom 13:8 Owe no one any *matter* except to love one another, for he who loves another has filled the Torah.

Verse 8 tells us not to be indebted slaves, walk in love and fulfill biblical law!

V.8 Verses The Articles!

Article 1: *All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives...*
(remember Achan's house?)

Isaiah 33.22 For יהוה is our judge, יהוה s our lawgiver, יהוה is our king;

James 4:12 There is one lawgiver.

Either יהוה is the source of legislation which is rooted in Torah or the god "We the People" is the source of legislation which is rooted in secular humanism – a moral baby will be born!

Article 2: *The executive power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his office during the term of four years, and, together with the Vice President, chosen for the term, be elected.....*

A President: one who ‘presides’ over the throne! Who’s your King? Who has executive authority?

As believers we’re to appoint not elect!

Article 3: *The judicial power of the United States, shall be vested in one supreme court, and in such inferior courts, as the Congress may, from time to time, ordain and establish. The judges, both of the supreme and inferior courts, shall hold their offices during good behavior...*

In the bible, judicial appointees have to be men of truth who fear יהוה and hate covetousness. Not so in the Constitution, no such stipulation.

2 Chronicles 19:5 *And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city,⁶ And said to the judges, Take heed what ye do: for ye judge not for man, but for יהוה , who is with you in the judgment.*

“No one is good but ...יהוה alone!” Good behavior has to be determined by YHWH’s Torah not secular humanism.

Luke 11:52 *Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.*

Whoever has the power to interpret the law is the supreme legislator.

All a jury does is act under cover of law and color of justice. That’s the definition of tyranny!

In the Colony of New Haven in 1639 they adopted Hebrew law – Torah; and rejected English law – 150 crimes punishable by death were dropped to the biblical 11.

Article 6: *.....This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be **the supreme law** of the land, and judges in every state shall be bound thereby, anything in the constitution or laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding.*

*The senators and the representatives before-mentioned, and the members of the several state legislatures, and all executive and judicial officers, both of the United States and of the several states shall be bound by oath or affirmation, to support this constitution, but **no religious test** shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States.*

This is the most damning anti יהוה law ever contrived by men. “The Constitution, the laws and all treaties of the United States are the SUPREME law; that all judges and all

states are bound by, anything contrary to these laws does not stand and NO RELIGIOUS TEST OATH'S WILL EVER BE REQUIRED – i.e. the laws of יהוה are subservient to the laws of “*We the people.*”

A supreme law can only come from...*a supreme being!* Who's your god?

There is a prohibition in the Constitution against Christian test oaths which would have required judges to fear יהוה'.

Matthew 15:6 Thus have ye made the commandment of Elohim of none effect by your tradition.7 Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Supreme Court decisions: “*all laws which are repugnant to the Constitution are null and void. Marbury v. Madison 1803.*

Why do you think we've had a Muslim president and massive Islamic immigration without any legal ramifications? Because the treaties we made with the Muslims in Tripoli during the Barbary Wars became part of the supreme law of the land (Article 6).

We don't live in a Christian nation and haven't since Martial Rule in 1776.

Article 6 also makes the Charter of the UN the supreme law of the land which all states and judges shall be bound thereby – since 1952. It's totally Constitutional; totally lawful for UN troops to round you all up and put you under irons!

Religious test oaths were the norm: you couldn't hold office without one in 17th Cent America. NJ, GA, SC, NH, MD, MA, NC – you had to be a protestant, and believe in the divine authority of the NT and OT before taking office.

In Pennsylvania legislators had to recite, “*I do believe in one God, the creator and governor of the universe, the rewarder of good and punisher of the wicked. And I do acknowledge the Scriptures of the Old Testament and New Testament to be given by Divine inspiration.*”

This wasn't good enough for Delaware, there you had to add, “*I believe in the Trinity and the divine inspiration of the bible.*” .

Authority of Scripture Vs The Amendments

Amendment 1. (1st 10 amendments = Bill of Rights).

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or the press; or the right of the

people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

יהוה doesn't give us the right to life! יהוה doesn't give us the right to liberty.

Gen. 5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.

We have responsibilities and requirements to steward in this thing called life! Responsibilities that we will be required to answer for; for life!

Where do we find true liberty?

James 1:25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Royal Torah!

New Testament only Christianity that's abrogated the law of Moses is nothing more than baptized humanism. It leads to slavery; slavery to sinful man's doctrines!

Freedom cannot exist unless freedom is under law. If freedom is made absolute, it will absolutely result in tyranny.

"The perfect law of liberty."

1. I am יהוה your Elohim, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

2. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Following יהוה means following his laws that bring forth true liberty.

By not following His laws and following another's laws; you've essentially chosen to serve another god.

Even those who choose to not follow יהוה's laws through Moses have chosen to follow another's law's – another god's!

Rom 13:9 For this, **"You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet,"** **Exo 20:13-17, Deu 5:17-21** and if there is any other command, it is summed up in this word, **"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."** **Lev 19:18.**

Rom 13:10 Love does no evil to a neighbor. Therefore, love is completion of the Torah.

Freedom of Religion

The rejection of a Yahwistic State in favor of a polytheistic state.

It's called religious pluralism.

The First Amendment equally authorizes non-Christian or even anti-Christian religions (remember Article 6 ban on Christian test oaths?).

The First Amendment in line with Article 6; prohibits the exercise of Monotheistic Christianity and establishes polytheism in its place – *'the free exercise clause'* gives free exercise to all the nations gods – lawfully sanctioned polytheism.

Rom 13:11 And *do* this, knowing the time, that it is already the hour for us to wake up from sleep, for now our deliverance is nearer than when we did believe.

Rom 13:12 The night is far advanced, the day has come near. So let us put off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.

Amendment 2

A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bare arms shall not be infringed.

Ex. 22:2 *If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him.*

Ps. 149: *Let the high praises of יהוה be in their mouth, and a two edged sword in their hand; 7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; 8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; 9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise יהוה.*

Luke 11:21 *When a strong man armed keepeth his home, his goods are secure.*

Luke 22:36 *he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one. And they said, Master, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.*

1 Samuel 13:19 *Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make them swords or spears: 20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coulter, and his axe, and his mattock. 21 Yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to sharpen the goads. 22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of*

the people that were with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found.

Rom 13:13 Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in wild parties and drunkenness, not in living together and indecencies, not in fighting and envy,

We need to be able to protect our families from home invasions and those who carouse at night; those walking in iniquity that prey on the weak and defenseless.

Amendment 8

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

The death penalty: life is so precious that anyone or any animal that maliciously takes another life must be put to death.

In contrast, life that is protected at all costs loses its value – the anti-capital punishment proponents actually cheapen life due to their upside down and backward value system.

Why do people get double life or triple life sentences? Double or triple monetization!

Rom 13:14 but put on the Master יהושע Messiah, and make no provision for the lusts of the flesh.

We're not to make provision for flesh, especially the flesh of a murderer because the value of the murdered or kidnapped is so much the death of the murderer or kidnapper is required!

Cruel and usual punishment: ***Proverbs 12:10 the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.***

Psalms 19:9 The fear of יהוה is clean, enduring forever: the judgments of יהוה are true and righteous altogether.

If you dis-annul Psalm 19 with you're guilty of the sin of ***Job! 40:8 Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous?***

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Jeremiah 52

The Fall of Jerusalem Recounted

Jer 52:1 **Tsidqiyahu was twenty-one years old** when he began to reign, and he

reigned eleven years in Yerushalayim. And his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Yirmeyahu of Libnah.

Jer 52:2 And he did evil in the eyes of יהוה, according to all that Yehoyaqim had done.

Jer 52:3 For through the displeasure of יהוה **this came to be against Yerushalayim and Yehudah, until He had cast them out from His presence.** And Tsidqiyahu rebelled against the sovereign of Babel.

Jer 52:4 And it came to be **in the ninth year of his reign**, in **the tenth new moon**, on the **tenth of the new moon**, that Nebukadretsar sovereign of Babel and all his army came against Yerushalayim and encamped against it. **And they built a siege wall against it all around.**

Yahusha weeps over Jerusalem:

Luk 19:41 And as He came near, He saw the city and wept over it,

Luk 19:42 saying, "If you only knew even today, the *matters* for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

Luk 19:43 **"Because days shall come upon you when your enemies shall build a rampart around you, and surround you and press you on all sides,**

Luk 19:44 and dash you to the ground, and your children within you. **And they shall not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."**

Jer 52:5 And the city was under siege until the eleventh year of Sovereign Tsidqiyahu.

Jer 52:6 On the **ninth of the fourth new moon** the scarcity of food was so severe in the city that **there was no food for the people of the land.**

Jer 52:7 Then the **city wall was breached, and all the men of battle fled and went out of the city at night by way of the gate between the two walls**, which was by the sovereign's garden, while the Kasdim were near the city all around. And they went by way of the desert plain.

Jer 52:8 **But the army of the Kasdim pursued the sovereign, and they overtook Tsidqiyahu in the desert plains of Yeriho, and his entire army was scattered from him.**

Jer 52:9 Then they captured the sovereign and brought him up to the sovereign of Babel at Riblah in the land of Hamath, and he pronounced judgments on him.

Jer 52:10 And **the sovereign of Babel slew the sons of Tsidqiyahu before his eyes, and he also slew all the heads of Yehudah in Riblah.**

Jer 52:11 And **he put out the eyes of Tsidqiyahu.** And the sovereign of Babel bound him in bronze shackles, and took him to Babel, and put him in prison till the day of his death.

Again, disobedience to YHWH has consequences and it involves others; sometimes even to their demise.

The Temple Burned

Jer 52:12 **And on the tenth of the fifth new moon**, which was the nineteenth year of sovereign Nebūkadretsar sovereign of Babel, Nebuzaradan, **chief of the guard**, who served the sovereign of Babel, came to Yerushalayim,

captain of the guard: or, chief marshal, Heb. chief of the executioners, or slaughtermen, and so, [Jer 52:14](#), [Jer 39:9](#); [Gen 37:36](#) *marg.

- Jer 52:13 and **he burned** the House of יהוה, and the sovereign's house, and all the houses of Yerushalayim, and all the houses of the great men, he burned with fire.
- Jer 52:14 And all the army of the Kasdim who were with the chief of the guard **broke down** all the walls of Yerushalayim all around.

Jer 52:15 **And Nebuzaradan, chief of the guard**,

- exiled some of the poor people, and the rest of the people who were left in the city, and the defectors who had gone over to the sovereign of Babel, and the rest of the craftsmen.

Zec 14:2 **And I shall gather all the nations to battle against Yerushalayim.**^a And the city shall be taken, the houses plundered, and the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into exile, but the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Footnote: ^a [Joe 3:2](#), [Zep 3:8](#), [Rev 16:14](#).

Joel 3:2 then I shall gather all nations, and bring them down to the Valley of Yehoshaphat. And I shall enter into judgment with them there for My people, My inheritance Yisra'el, whom they have scattered among the nations, and they have divided up My land.

Zep 3:8 "Therefore wait for Me," declares יהוה, "until the day I rise up for plunder. For My judgment is to gather nations, to assemble reigns, to pour out on them My rage, all My burning wrath. For by the fire of My jealousy all the earth shall be consumed.

Rev 16:13 And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits, as frogs,

Rev 16:14 for they are spirits of demons, doing signs, which go out to the sovereigns of the entire world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of יהוה the Almighty.

Jer 52:16 **But Nebuzaradan, chief of the guard**,

- left some of the poor of the land as vinedressers and farmers.

Jer 52:17 **And the Kasdim**

- broke the bronze columns that were in the House of יהוה,
- and the stands
- and the bronze Sea that were in the House of יהוה,
- and brought all their bronze to Babel.

- **Jer 52:18** They also took away the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the bowls, and the ladles, and all the bronze utensils with which they served,
- **Jer 52:19** and the basins, and the fire holders, and the bowls, and the pots, and the lampstands, and the ladles, and the cups, whatever was of solid gold and whatever was of solid silver, the chief of the guard took.

The architecture of the 1st Temple was extraordinarily ornate and very extravagant. We read:

- **Jer 52:20** The two columns, one Sea, the twelve bronze bulls which were under it, and the stands, which Sovereign Shelomoh had made for the House of יהוה – **the bronze of all these vessels was beyond weighing.**
- **Jer 52:21** As for the columns, the height of one column was eighteen cubits, and its circumference was twelve cubits, and its thickness was four fingers, hollow.
- **Jer 52:22** And **a capital of bronze was on it.** And the height of one capital was **five cubits**, with a network and pomegranates all around the capital, all of bronze. And the second column, with pomegranates was the same.
- **Jer 52:23** And there were ninety-six pomegranates on the sides. All the **pomegranates on the network were one hundred, all around.**

The People Exiled to Babylon

Jer 52:24 And the chief of the guard took Serayah the chief priest, and Tsephanyah the second priest, and the three doorkeepers.

Jer 52:25 And from the city he took one eunuch who was in charge of the men of battle, and seven men who saw the sovereign's face, who were found in the city, and the scribe of the commander of the army who mustered the people of the land, and sixty men of the people of the land who were found in the city.

Adam Clarke: Seven men - that were near the king's person - These were privy counsellors.

Jer 52:26 And Nebuzaradan, chief of the guard, took these and brought them to the sovereign of Babel at Riblah,

Jer 52:27 and the sovereign of Babel struck them and put them to death at Riblah in the land of Hamath. Thus Yehudah was exiled from its own land.

Mic 4:10 Be in pain, and deliver, O daughter of Tsiyon, like a woman in labor. For now you are to leave the city, and you shall dwell in the field. And you shall go to Babel, there you shall be delivered, there יהוה shall redeem you from the hand of your enemies.

Jer 52:28 These are the people whom Nebukadretsar exiled:

- in the seventh year, three thousand and twenty-three Yehudim;
- **Jer 52:29** in the eighteenth year of Nebukadretsar he exiled from

Yerushalayim **eight hundred and thirty-two beings**;

- **Jer 52:30** in **the twenty-third year** of Nebūkadretsar, Nebuzaradan, chief of the guard, exiled of the Yehudim seven hundred and forty-five beings. All the beings were four thousand six hundred.

Jehoiachin Released from Prison

Jer 52:31 And it came to be in **the thirty-seventh year** of the exile of Yehoyakin sovereign of Yehudah, in the twelfth new moon, on the twenty-fifth of the new moon, that Ewil-Merodak sovereign of Babel, in the first year of his reign, lifted up the head of Yehoyakin sovereign of Yehudah and brought him out of prison,

Jer 52:32 and spoke kindly to him and set his throne above those of the sovereigns who were with him in Babel.

Jer 52:33 **So he changed his prison garments, and he ate bread continually before the sovereign all the days of his life.**

Jer 52:34 And as for his allowance, there was a continual allowance given him by the sovereign of Babel, a portion for each day until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

Psalm 31 'Into Your hand I commit my spirit...'

Though the words of Psalm 31 are attributed to David while possibly fleeing from Absalom; they also speak prophetically of Yahusha's persecution and crucifixion.

Into Your Hand I Commit My Spirit

Psa 31:1 In You, O יהוה, I have taken refuge; Let me never be ashamed; Deliver me in Your righteousness.

Psa 31:2 Incline Your ear to me, Deliver me speedily; Be a rock of refuge to me, A house of defence to save me.

Psa 31:3 For You are my rock and my stronghold; For Your Name's sake lead me and guide me.

Psa 31:4 Bring me out of the net which they have hidden for me, For You are my stronghold.

Psa 31:5 Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O יהוה Ēl of truth.

Psa 31:6 I have hated those who observe lying vanities; But I trust in יהוה.

Psa 31:7 I exult and rejoice in Your loving- commitment, For You have seen my affliction; You have known the distresses of my life,

Psa 31:8 And You have not shut me up into the hand of the enemy. You have set my feet in a large place.

Psa 31:9 Show me favour, O יהוה, for I am in distress; My eye, my being and my body have become old with grief!

Psa 31:10 For my life is consumed in sorrow, And my years in sighing; My strength fails

because of my crookedness, And my bones have become old.

Psa 31:11 I am a reproach among all my adversaries, But most of all among my neighbours, And a dread to my friends; Those who see me outside flee from me.

Psa 31:12 I have been forgotten like someone dead from the heart; I have been like a missing vessel.

Psa 31:13 For I hear the evil report of many; Fear is from all around; When they take counsel together against me, They plot to take away my life.

Psa 31:14 But I, I have put my trust in You, O יהוה; I have said, “You are my Elohim.”

Psa 31:15 My times are in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, And from those who pursue me.

Psa 31:16 Make Your face shine upon Your servant; Save me in Your loving-commitment.

Psa 31:17 Do not let me be ashamed, O יהוה, For I have called upon You; Let the wrong be ashamed; Let them be silenced in She’ol.

Psa 31:18 Let lips of falsehood be stilled, Which speak recklessly against the righteous, With pride and scorn.

Psa 31:19 How great is Your goodness, Which You have laid up for those fearing You, Which You have prepared for those taking refuge in You In the sight of the sons of men!

Psa 31:20 In the secrecy of Your presence You shall hide them from the plots of man; You shelter them in a booth from the strife of tongues.

Psa 31:21 Blessed be יהוה, For He has made marvellous His loving-commitment to me in a strong city!

Psa 31:22 And I, I have said in my haste, “I am cut off from before Your eyes,” Yet You heard the voice of my prayers When I cried out to You.

Psa 31:23 Love יהוה, all you His lovingly-committed ones! For יהוה guards the trustworthy ones, And exceedingly repays the doer of pride.

Psa 31:24 Be strong, and let Him fortify your heart, All you who are waiting for יהוה.

We have a High Priest that can relate to our trials and tribulations on earth as we read:

Hebrews 4: 14 Therefore, since we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, יהושע the Son of Elohim, let us hold fast our confession.

15 For we do not have a High Priest unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who was tried in all respects as we are, apart from sin.

16 Therefore, let us come boldly to the throne of favour, in order to receive compassion, and find favour for timely help.

~ Shalom ~ Libby

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