

Romans 13 Study Notes • This World Is Not Our Home

- :1 - What is Paul saying in verse 1?
 - :2 - What consequence does Paul say will come upon the person who is disobedient to the governing authorities?
 - :5 - What are the two reasons given in this verse for obeying the governing authorities?
 - :8 - What is one area where we are allowed to have an ongoing debt?
 - :9 - What single Commandment is the summation of the others that Paul lists in this verse?
 - :11 - What is Paul saying about “time.”
 - :13 - What does Paul say in this verse about how Christians should live?
 - :14 - What does Paul say about our flesh in this verse?
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- :1 - What does Paul MEAN by the words “be subject” (ESV) ?
 - :2 - What do you think Paul means by “judgment”?
 - :5 - Why is obedience “for the sake of conscience” important?
 - :1-7 - Why did Paul see the need to address the issue of obedience to the government?
 - :8 - What exactly does it MEAN to have an ongoing debt to love?
 - :10 - Why does “Love your neighbor as yourself” sum up the other commandments listed in **verse 9**?
 - :11 - What does Paul mean by the words “wake from sleep”? (What would being asleep refer to?)
 - :13 - Define the phrase “walk properly as in the daytime.” What does that mean?
 - :14 - What does Paul mean by “flesh”?
 - :14 - What does it mean to “make no provision for the flesh”?
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- :1 - What should Christians be doing to make sure we’re obedient to God’s Word on this subject?
 - :1-7 Define “a Christian’s right to express civil disobedience” and explain when it might be used.
 - :1-7 - Why is the idea of obeying the governing authorities so challenging?
 - :8-10 - List ways you can love your neighbor as yourself.
 - :11 - How can Christians keep themselves “awake” spiritually?
 - :13 - What can a believer do who realizes they are not “walking properly?”
 - :14 - What can a believer do to make no provision for his/her flesh?

Digging Deeper (Extra credit)

- : 1-7 - Read **Hebrews 13: 11-14**. How does this passage relate to the first 7 verses of Romans 13?
- :8-10 - Paul discusses the 10 Commandments (without listing them all). How many Commandments address how we view and respond to God and how many address how we view and respond to our fellow man?
- :14 - Concerning making no provision for the flesh, read **Galatians 5:19-21** and discuss the acts of the flesh that we should not encourage.
- :14 - What solution does Paul give in **Galatians 5:16** for not being under the dominion of the flesh?