... By Our Love Romans 13-14

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13:1-7

Submission is an inward attitude of deference and willingly placing oneself under authority.
God created systems of governance for our
Though never perfect, civil government provides services and safety for our common benefit.
We place ourselves in submission because God is trustworthy and sovereign over earthly leaders.
HONOR THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE LORD'S SAKE.
A Duty to Love 13:8-14
We choose to seek the best for others as an outworking of a life transformed by Christ.
We choose to and serve others with passionate intensity while waiting for Jesus to return.
Instead of walking in our old ways, we choose to identify with Christ in our thoughts and actions.
HONOR THE CALL TO LOVE FOR THE LORD'S SAKE.
A Duty to Understand Others 14:1-23
Give honor and acceptance to those in the faith.
Intentionally pursue words and behaviors that build up another's pursuit of holiness.
Intentionally avoid words and behaviors that tear down another's pursuit of holiness.
View each Christ follower as the Lord sees them, regarding every believer as equal in value.
Think, speak, and act as an outworking of genuine faith as you live for Him.
HONOR BOTH THE WEAK AND THE STRONG FOR THE LORD'S SAKE.

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MARK 12:14b, 15b-17 "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not? Should we pay them, or should we not? ... Bring me a denarius and let me look at it." And they brought one. And he said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said to him, "Caesar's." Jesus said to them, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

1 PETER 2:13-17 Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

ACTS 5:41-42 Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.

ROMANS 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

GALATIANS 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

PROVERBS 3:3-4 Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

COLOSSIANS 3:17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.