

The Gospel of God

Justified by Faith



Getting Along with Uncle Sam

Romans 13:1-7



I am to be under authority

Verse 1a
Titus 3:1



Four institutions established by God

1) Respect for authority begins at home

2) Christ is the head of the Church
Elders are to lead and oversee
God's flock

Hebrews 13:7

3) God ordained human government

4) There is a chain of command in the workplace



Legitimate authority is delegated by
God

verse 1b-2
John 19:11



Human government keeps the social
order in check

verse 3-4a



Government punishes the wicked
verse 4b
Romans 12:17, 19; Genesis 9:6;
Acts 25:11



Two motivations for being under
authority
verse 5

1) Fear of punishment

2) For conscience sake
Acts 23:1; 24:16; Hebrews 13:18



Christians are to pay their taxes
verse 6-7



We effect change by being good
citizens
Jeremiah 29:7



Sometimes we must engage in civil
disobedience
Exodus 1:15-17; Daniel 1:8; 3:16-18; 6:2;
Acts 5:29



I need to pray for my nation and its
leaders
1 Timothy 2:1-4