

SERMON SUMMARY

Name: _____

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost — Romans 13:1-10

September 6, 2020

Today's epistle deals with two different _____ and their duties: the office of ruler and the office of citizen:

According to this text, rulers and authorities are _____ by God with a God-given responsibility: they are to protect their citizens by punishing evildoers.

That comes with the office of ruler, put in place by _____ for our good.

In response, _____ in their office have the responsibility to submit to the authorities.

The rulers protect the citizens by _____ evildoers and lawbreakers, and the citizens honor the rulers by not doing evil or breaking the laws.

They _____ authorities in order to obey God.

The other reason that you might disobey authorities and laws is if the law prevents you from _____ your neighbor.

One is that rulers are put in position by God to keep order for our _____.

Therefore, says the Word, exercise Christian care in how you _____ those placed in authority.

To be angry at one in authority is to be _____ at one whom God has placed there for your well-being.

Furthermore, _____ for these authorities, whether you agree with them or not.

And where you find the laws of the land to be inconvenient and disagreeable to you, _____ them anyway.

Jesus promises to you that He will deliver you, and He _____ His promises.

Because He has given His life as a _____ for you, your sins are forgiven and the kingdom of heaven is yours.

Questions

1. Where do governments come from, who appoints them?
2. What is the responsibility of governments? What is the responsibility of citizens?
3. What are the only two reasons given that we may disobey the government?
4. How are we to treat those in authority?
5. Any questions or comments about this sermon?