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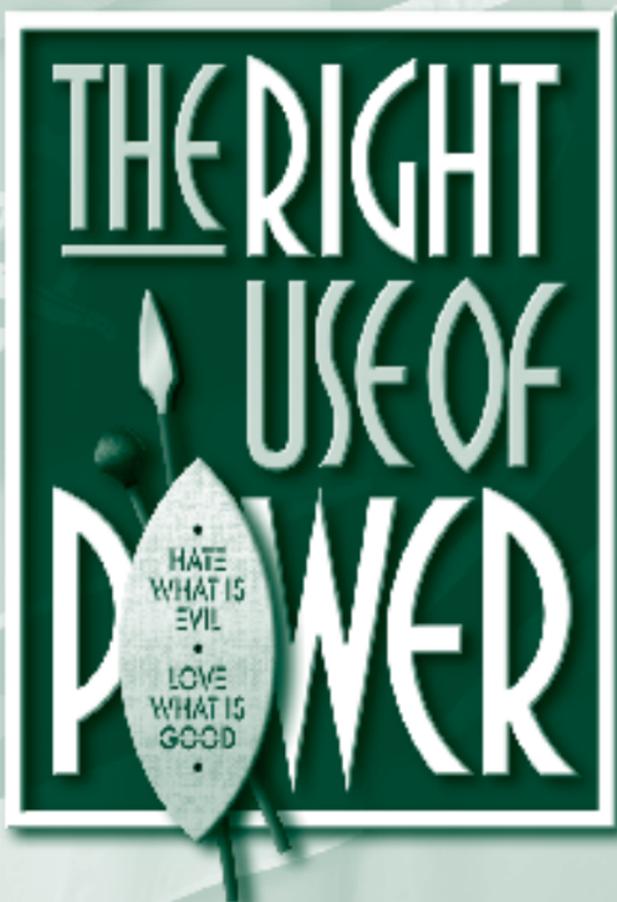
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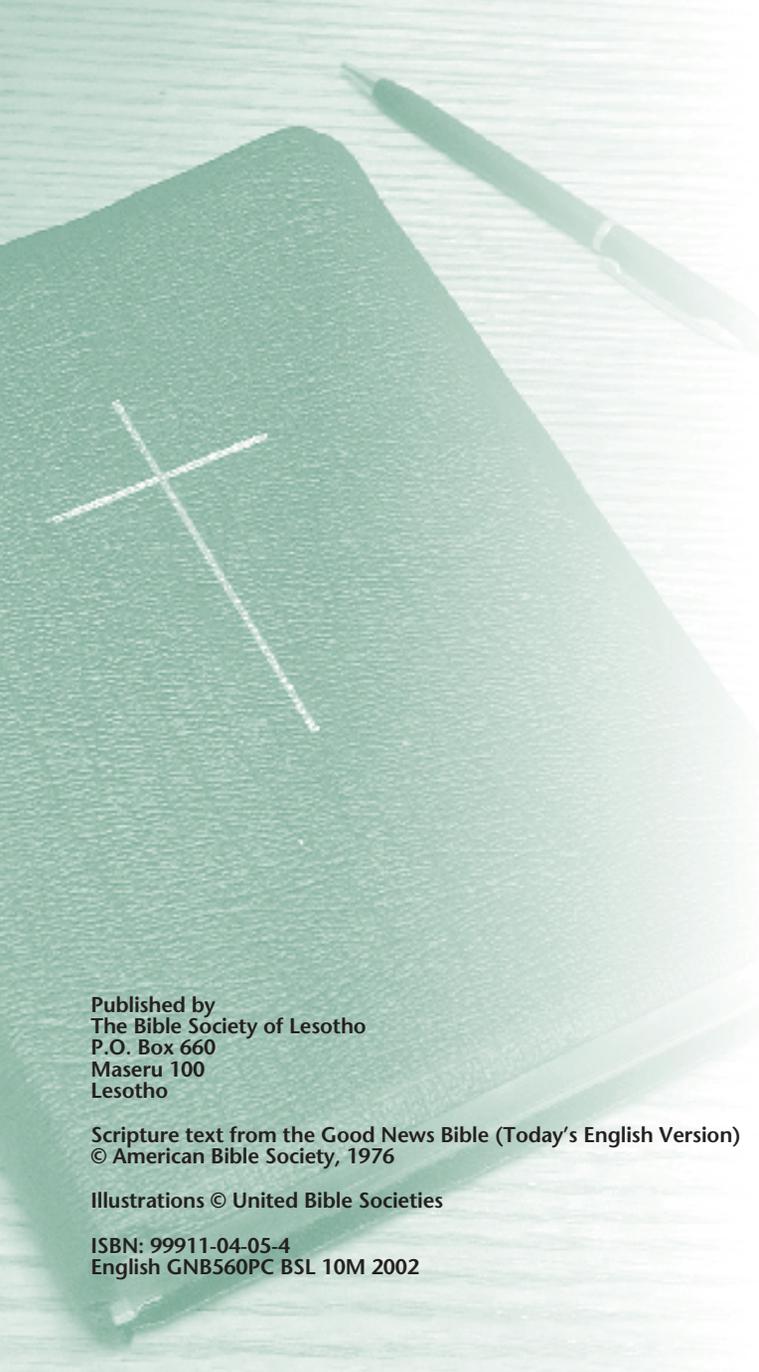
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In these selections from the Bible, we'll read of good rulers who both served God and their people. But we'll also read of rulers that abused their power, bringing God's condemnation delivered in powerful and stinging words through His prophets. Finally we'll read that the greatest model for the right use of power is Jesus Christ himself, as the Bible says,

So Jesus called them all together and said, "You know that the rulers of the heathen have power over them, and the leaders have complete authority. This, however, is not the way it shall be among you. If one of you wants to be great, you must be the servant of the rest; and if one of you wants to be first, you must be the slave of the others – like the Son of Man, who did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life to redeem many people."

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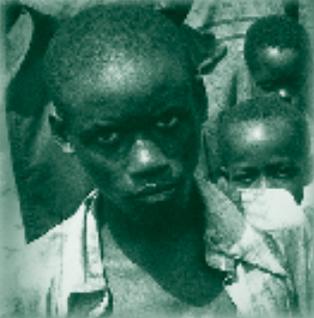
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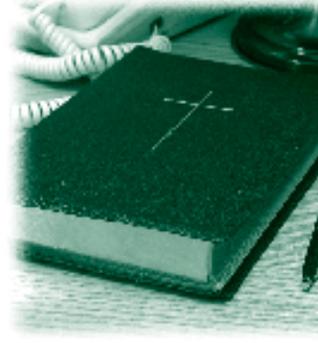
TO THOSE WITH
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The Israelites were chosen by God to be a light and an example for the entire world. Although God himself was their king, the Israelites desired a human king just like the surrounding nations. So God gave instructions through his Prophet Moses as to how their new king should live. He was to be a servant of God and a servant of the people.

“After you have taken possession of the land that the LORD your God is going to give you and have settled there, then you will decide you need a king like all the nations around you. Be sure that the man you choose to be king is the one whom the LORD has chosen. He must be one of your own people; do not make a foreigner your king. The king is not to have a large number of horses for his army, and he is not to send people to Egypt to buy horses, because the LORD has said that his people are never to return there. The king is not to have many wives, because this would make him turn away from the LORD; and he is not to make himself

rich with silver and gold. When he becomes king, he is to have a copy of the book of God’s laws and teachings made from the original copy kept by the levitical priests. He is to keep this book near him and read from it all his life, so that he will learn to honor the LORD and to obey faithfully everything that is commanded in it. This will keep him from thinking that he is better than other Israelites and from disobeying the LORD’s commands in any way. Then he will reign for many years, and his descendants will rule Israel for many generations.”



Deuteronomy 17:14-20

The early days of Solomon, the son of King David, provide an example of what God intended a ruler should be. Consider what Solomon asked from God as he prayed one night. May this be the prayer of rulers today.

Solomon, the son of King David, took firm control of the kingdom of Israel, and the LORD his God blessed him and made him very powerful.

King Solomon gave an order to all the officers in charge of units of a thousand men and of a hundred men, all the government officials, all the heads of families, and all the rest of the people, commanding them to go with him to the place of worship at Gibeon. They went there because that was

where the Tent of the LORD's presence was located, which Moses, the LORD's servant, had made in the wilderness (The Covenant Box, however, was in Jerusalem, kept in a tent which King David had set up when he brought the Box from Kiriath Jearim.) The bronze altar which had been made by Bezalel, the son of Uri and grandson of Hur, was also in Gibeon in front of the Tent of the LORD's presence. King Solomon and all the people worshiped the LORD there. In front of the Tent the king worshiped the LORD by offering sacrifices on the bronze altar; he had a thousand animals

killed and burned whole on it.

That night God appeared to Solomon and asked, "What would you like me to give you?"

Solomon answered, "You always showed great love for my father David, and now you have let me succeed him as king. O LORD God, fulfill the promise you made to my father. You have made me king over a people who are so many that they cannot be counted, so give me the wisdom and knowledge I need to rule over them. Otherwise, how would I ever be able to rule this great people of yours?"

God replied to Solomon, "You have made the right choice. Instead of asking for wealth or treasure or fame or the death of your enemies or even for long life for yourself, you have asked for wisdom and knowledge so that you can rule my people,

over whom I have made you king. I will give you wisdom and knowledge. And in addition, I will give you more wealth, treasure, and fame than any king has ever had before or will ever have again."

2 Chronicles 1:1-12

But after Solomon other kings ruled the land. They lacked the wisdom and justice that Solomon was known for. So the people cried out for justice. The Old Testament book of Psalms records one of their prayers. As you read it, think of how similar it could be to prayers prayed today by people living amidst corruption and abuse.

Why are you so far away, O LORD? Why do you hide yourself when we are in trouble?

The wicked are proud and persecute the poor; catch them in the traps they have made. The wicked are proud of their evil desires; the greedy curse and reject the LORD. The wicked do not care about the LORD; in their pride they think that God doesn't matter.

The wicked succeed in everything. They cannot understand God's judgments; they sneer at their enemies. They say to themselves, "We will never fail; we will never be in trouble." Their speech is filled with curses, lies, and threats; they are quick to speak hateful, evil



words.

They hide themselves in the villages, waiting to murder innocent people. They spy on their helpless victims; they wait in their hiding place like lions. They lie in wait for the poor; they catch them in their traps and drag them away.



The helpless victims lie crushed; brute strength has defeated them. The wicked say to themselves, "God doesn't care! He has closed his eyes and will never see me!"

O LORD, punish those wicked people! Remember those who are suffering! How can the wicked despise God and say to themselves, "He will not punish me?"

But you do see; you take notice of trouble and suffering and are always ready to help. The helpless commit themselves to you; you have always helped the needy.

Break the power of wicked and evil people; punish them for the wrong they have done until they do it no more.

The LORD is king forever and ever. Those who worship other gods will vanish from his land.

You will listen, O LORD, to the prayers of the lowly; you will give them courage. You will hear the cries of the oppressed and the orphans; you will judge in their favor, so that mortal men may cause terror no more.

Psalm 10

While the people cried out for help, God's prophets pronounced his holy judgment. During the time of the prophet Isaiah, the rulers oppressed the poor and enriched themselves at the people's expense, even though the external form of religion flourished. Isaiah condemned the covering up of evil by religious deeds, but he also spoke words of hope for those who repent.

"Jerusalem, your rulers and your people are like those of Sodom and Gomorrah. Listen to what the LORD is saying to you. Pay attention to what our God is teaching you. He says, "Do you think I want all these sacrifices you keep offering to me? I have had more than enough of the sheep you burn as sacrifices and of the fat of your fine animals. I am tired of the blood of bulls and sheep and goats. Who asked you to bring me all this when you come to worship me? Who asked you to do all this tramping around in my Temple? It's useless to bring your offerings. I am disgusted with the smell of the incense you burn. I cannot stand your New Moon Festivals, your Sabbaths, and your religious gatherings; they are all corrupted by your sins. I hate your New Moon Festivals and holy days; they are a burden that I am tired of bearing.



"When you lift your hands in prayer, I will not look at you. No matter how much you pray, I will

not listen, for your hands are covered with blood. Wash yourselves clean. Stop all this evil that I see you doing. Yes, stop doing evil and learn to do right. See that justice is done – help those who are oppressed, give orphans their rights, and defend widows.”

The LORD says, “Now, let’s settle the matter. You are stained red with sin, but I will wash you as clean as snow. Although your stains are deep red, you will be as white as wool.”

Isaiah 1:10-18

Micah also prophesied during Isaiah’s time. He witnessed the ruling class displaying an outward appearance of piety with their temple sacrifices, while robbing the poor by using false measures in the marketplace. Micah thundered God’s deep hatred for such corruption, and proclaimed that what God required was honesty, faithfulness and integrity.



What shall I bring to the LORD, the God of heaven, when I come to worship him? Shall I bring the best calves to burn as offerings to him?

Will the LORD be pleased if I bring him thousands of sheep or endless streams of olive oil? Shall I offer him my first-born child to pay for my sins? No, the LORD has told us what is good. What he requires of us is this: to do what is just, to show constant love, and to live in humble fellowship with our God.

It is wise to fear the LORD. He calls to the city, “Listen, you people who assemble in the city! In the houses of evil people are treasures which they got dishonestly. They use false measures, a thing that I hate. How can I forgive those who use false scales and weights? Your rich people exploit the poor, and all of you are liars. So I have already begun your ruin and destruction because of your sins. You will eat, but not be satisfied – in fact you will still be hungry. You will carry things off, but you will not be able to save them; anything you do save I will destroy in war. You will sow grain, but not harvest the crop. You will press oil from olives, but never get to use it. You will make wine, but never drink it. This will happen because you have followed the evil practices of King Omri and of his son, King Ahab. You have continued their policies, and so I will bring you to ruin, and everyone will despise you. People everywhere will treat you with contempt.”

Micah 6:6-16

The prophet Amos was also horrified by the bribery and corruption that were rampant in his day.

You people hate anyone who challenges injustice and speaks the whole truth in court. You have oppressed the poor and robbed them



of their grain. And so you will not live in the fine stone houses you build or drink wine from the beautiful vineyards you plant. I know how terrible your sins are and how many crimes you have committed. You persecute good people, take bribes, and prevent the poor from getting justice in the courts. And so, keeping quiet in such evil times is the smart thing to do!

Make it your aim to do what is right, not what is evil, so that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty really will be with you, as you claim he is. Hate what is evil, love what is right, and see that justice prevails in the courts. Perhaps the LORD will be merciful to the people of this nation who are still left alive.

Amos 5:10-15

Although most of his reign was marked with justice and compassion, one event in King David's life showed a raw abuse of power that brought God's judgment through his prophet Nathan.

The following spring, at the time of the year when kings usually go to war, David sent out Joab with his officers and the Israelite army; they defeated the Ammonites and besieged the city of Rabbah. But David himself stayed in Jerusalem.

One day, late in the afternoon, David got up from his nap and went to the palace roof. As he walked around up there, he saw a woman taking a bath in her house. She was very beautiful. So he sent a messenger to find out who she was, and learned

that she was Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite. David sent messengers to get her; they brought her to him and he made love to her. (She had just finished her monthly ritual of purification.) Then she went back home. Afterward she discovered that she was pregnant and sent a message to David to tell him.

David then sent a message to Joab: "Send me Uriah the Hittite." So Joab sent him to David. When Uriah arrived, David asked him if Joab and the troops were well, and how the fighting was going. Then he said to Uriah, "Go on home and rest a while." Uriah left, and David had a present sent to his home. But Uriah did not go home; instead he slept at the palace gate with the king's guards. When David heard that Uriah had not gone home, he asked him, "You have just returned after a long absence; why didn't you go home?"

Uriah answered, "The men of Israel and Judah are away in battle, and the Covenant Box is with them; my commander Joab and his officers are camping out in the open. How could I go home, eat and drink, and sleep with my wife? By all that's sacred, I swear that I could never do such a thing!"

So David said, "Then stay here the rest of the day, and tomorrow I'll send you back." So Uriah stayed in Jerusalem that day and the next. David invited him to supper and got him drunk. But



again that night Uriah did not go home; instead he slept on his blanket in the palace guardroom.

The next morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by Uriah. He wrote: "Put Uriah in the front line, where the fighting is heaviest, then retreat and let him be killed." So while Joab was besieging the city, he sent Uriah to a place where he knew the enemy was strong. The enemy troops came out of the city and fought Joab's forces; some of David's officers were killed, and so was Uriah.

Then Joab sent a report to David telling him about the battle, and he instructed the messenger, "After you have told the king all about the battle, he may get angry and ask you, 'Why did you go so near the city to fight them? Didn't you realize that they would shoot arrows from the walls? Don't you remember how Abimelech son of Gideon was killed? It was at Thebez, where a woman threw a millstone down from the wall and killed him. Why, then, did you go so near the wall?' If the king asks you this, tell him, 'Your officer Uriah was also killed.'"

So the messenger went to David and told him what Joab had commanded him to say. He said, "Our enemies were stronger than we were and came out of the city to fight us in the open, but we drove them back to the city gate. Then they shot arrows at us from the wall, and some of Your Majesty's officers were killed; your officer Uriah



was also killed."

David said to the messenger, "Encourage Joab and tell him not to be upset, since you never can tell who will die in battle. Tell him to launch a stronger attack on the city and capture it."

When Bathsheba heard that her husband had been killed, she mourned for him. When the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to the palace; she became his wife and bore him a son. But the LORD was not pleased with what David had done.

The LORD sent the prophet Nathan to David. Nathan went to him and said, "There were two men who lived in the same town; one was rich and the other poor. The rich man had many cattle and sheep, while the poor man had only one lamb, which he had bought. He took care of it, and it grew up in his home with his children. He would feed it some of his own food, let it drink from his cup, and hold it in his lap. The lamb was like a daughter to him. One day a visitor arrived at the rich man's home. The rich man didn't want to kill one of his own animals to fix a meal for him; instead, he took the poor man's lamb and prepared a meal for his guest."



David became very angry at the rich man and said, "I swear by the living LORD that the man who did this ought to die! For having done such a cruel thing, he must pay back four times as

much as he took.”

“You are that man,” Nathan said to David. “And this is what the LORD God of Israel says: ‘I made you king of Israel and rescued you from Saul. I gave you his kingdom and his wives; I made you king over Israel and Judah. If this had not been enough, I would have given you twice as much. Why, then, have you disobeyed my commands? Why did you do this evil thing? You had Uriah killed in battle; you let the Ammonites kill him, and then you took

his wife! Now, in every generation some of your descendants will die a violent death because you have disobeyed me and have taken Uriah’s wife. I swear to you that I will cause someone from your own family to bring trouble on you. You will see it when I take your wives from you and give them to another man; and he will have intercourse with them in broad daylight. You sinned in

secret, but I will make this happen in broad daylight for all Israel to see.”

“I have sinned against the LORD,” David said.

Nathan replied, “The LORD forgives you; you will not die. But because you have shown such contempt for the LORD in doing this, your child will die.” Then Nathan went home.

The LORD caused the child that Uriah’s wife had borne to David to become very sick.

2Samuel 11:1-12:15



David and Bathsheba’s first child died. But David repented of his abuse of power and God had mercy on him, just as He will have mercy on rulers today who truly repent. Their second child lived, and became King Solomon.

David was very sorry for his sin. In the book of Psalms, David wrote a song to express his penitence.

Be merciful to me, O God, because of your constant love. Because of your great mercy wipe away my sins! Wash away all my evil and make me clean from my sin!

I recognize my faults; I am always conscious of my sins. I have sinned against you – only against you – and done what you consider evil. So you are right in judging me; you are justified in condemning me. I have been evil from the day I was born; from the time I was conceived, I have been sinful.

Sincerity and truth are what you require; fill my mind with your wisdom. Remove my sin, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness; and though you have crushed me and broken me, I will be happy once again. Close your eyes to my sins and wipe out all my evil.

Create a pure heart in me, O God, and put a new and loyal spirit in me. Do not banish me from your presence; do not take your holy spirit away



from me. Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation, and make me willing to obey you. Then I will teach sinners your commands, and they will turn back to you.

Spare my life, O God, and save me, and I will gladly proclaim your righteousness. Help me to speak, LORD, and I will praise you.

You do not want sacrifices, or I would offer them; you are not pleased with burnt-offerings. My sacrifice is a humble spirit, O God; you will not reject a humble and repentant heart.

O God, be kind to Zion and help her; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. Then you will be pleased with proper sacrifices and with our burnt-offerings; and bulls will be sacrificed on your altar.

Psalm 51

Please remember that the Bible passages on the right use of power not only apply to political rulers, but also to leaders in the church and the family. They must also be servants of God, and of the people as well.

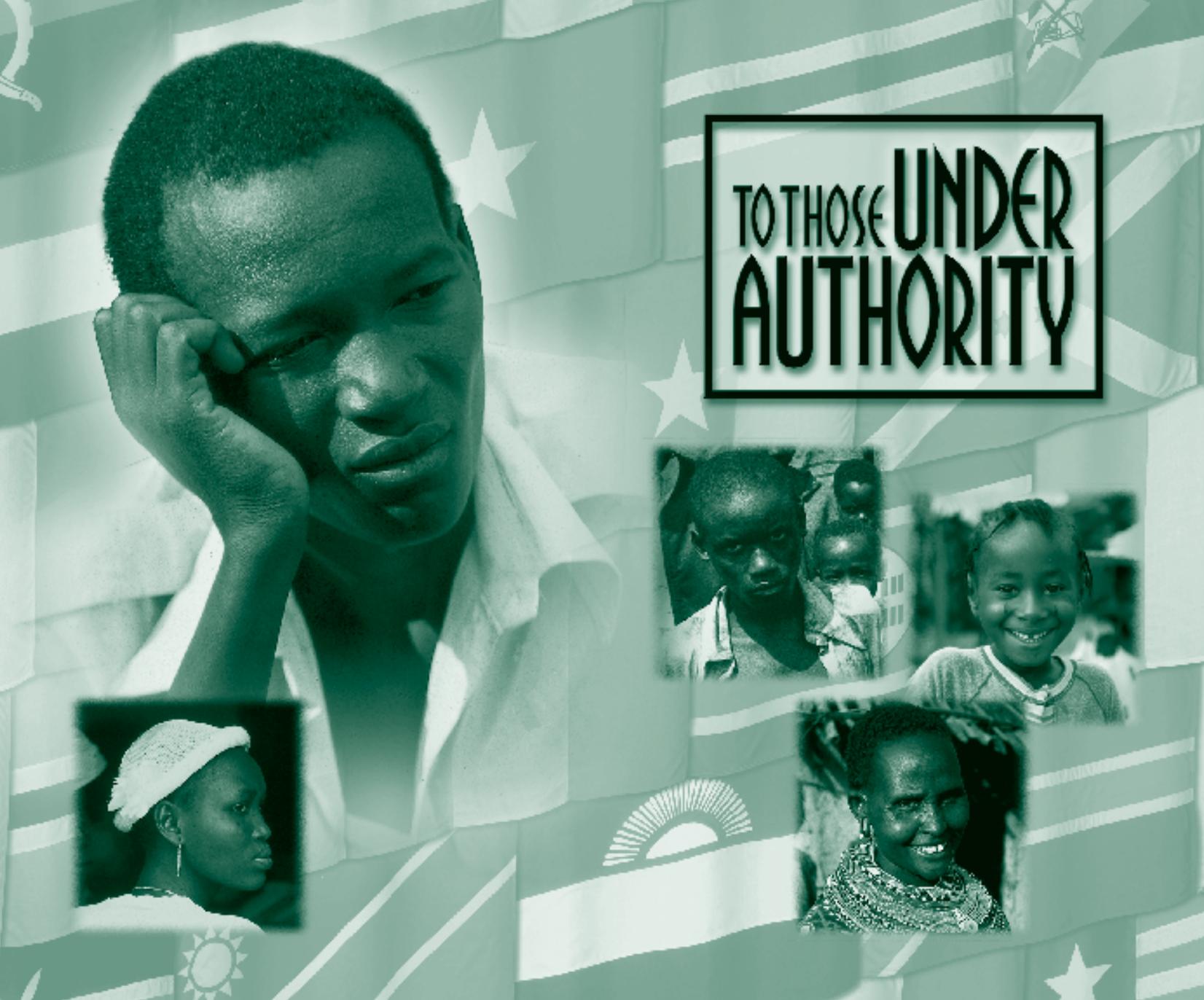


I, who am an elder myself, appeal to the church elders among you. I am a witness of Christ's sufferings, and I will share in the glory that will be revealed. I appeal to you to be shepherds of the flock that God gave you and to take care of it willingly, as God wants you to, and not unwillingly. Do your work, not

for mere pay, but from a real desire to serve. Do not try to rule over those who have been put in your care, but be examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the glorious crown which will never lose its brightness.

1Peter 5:1-4





TO THOSE UNDER
AUTHORITY



In Bible times, pure democracy was not yet known. Governments ranged from benevolent monarchies to harsh, corrupt dictatorships.

In his letter to the people of Rome, part of the New Testament, the Apostle Paul nevertheless called for respect and obedience to state authorities, because no authority exists without God's permission.

Everyone must obey state authorities, because no authority exists without God's permission, and the existing authorities have been put there by God. Whoever opposes the existing authority opposes what God has ordered; and anyone who does so will bring judgment on himself. For rulers are not to be feared by those who do good, but by those who do evil. Would you like to be unafraid of those in authority? Then do what is good, and they will praise you, because they are God's servants working for your own good. But if you do evil, then

be afraid of them, because their power to punish is real. They are God's servants and carry out God's punishment on those who do evil. For this reason you must obey the authorities—not just because of God's punishment, but also as a matter of conscience.

That is also why you pay taxes, because the authorities are working for God when they fulfill their duties. Pay, then, what you owe them; pay them your personal and property taxes, and show respect and honor for them all.

Romans 13:1-7



But there is a limit to obeying authorities, and that limit is when there is a clear choice between obedience to rulers on earth and obedience to the God of heaven. In that case, disobedience is not only commended, but required. See how the Apostles Peter and John responded when they were ordered by the religious leaders (called the Sanhedrin) to stop preaching and healing in Jesus' name.

The members of the Council were amazed to see how bold Peter and John were and to learn that they were ordinary men of no education. They realized then that they had been companions of Jesus. But there was nothing that they could say, because they saw the man who had been healed standing there with Peter and John. So they told

them to leave the Council room, and then they started discussing among themselves. “What shall we do with these men?” they asked. “Everyone in Jerusalem knows that this extraordinary miracle has been performed by them, and we cannot deny it. But to keep this matter from spreading any further among the people, let us warn these men never again to speak to anyone in the name of Jesus.”

So they called them back in and told them that under no condition were they to speak or to teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered them, “You yourselves judge which is right in God’s sight – to obey you or to obey God. For we cannot stop speaking of what we ourselves have seen and heard.”

Acts 4:13-20

Within this tension of obeying our authorities, yet keeping God first, we are to pray for those over us, as the Apostle Paul instructed his young co-worker Timothy.

First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, requests, and thanksgivings be offered to God for all people; for kings and all others who are in authority, that we may live a quiet and peaceful life with all reverence toward God and with proper conduct. This is good and it pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and



to come to know the truth. For there is one God, and there is one who brings God and human beings together, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself to redeem the whole human race. That was the proof at the right time that God wants everyone to be saved.

1 Timothy 2:1-6

In the book of Psalms, we find a beautiful prayer for the king, who is portrayed as someone caring for the poor, the needy and neglected in society. Perhaps the words of this Psalm could serve as an example of how to pray for those in authority over you today.

Teach the king to judge with your righteousness, O God; share with him your own justice, so that he will rule over your people with justice and govern the oppressed with righteousness.

May the land enjoy prosperity; may it experience righteous. May the king judge the poor fairly; may he help the needy and defeat their oppressors. May your people worship you as long as the sun shines, as long as the moon gives light, for ages to come.

May the king be like rain on the fields, like showers falling on the land. May righteousness flourish in his lifetime, and may prosperity last as long as the moon gives light.



His kingdom will reach from sea to sea, from the Euphrates to the ends of the earth. The peoples of the desert will bow down before him; his enemies will throw themselves to the ground. The kings of

Spain and of the islands will offer him gifts; the kings of Sheba and Seba will bring him offerings. All kings will bow down before him; all nations will serve him.

He rescues the poor who call to him, and those who are needy and neglected. He has pity on the weak and poor; he saves the lives of those in need. He rescues them from oppression and violence;

their lives are precious to him.

Long live the king! May he be given gold from Arabia; may prayers be said for him at all times; may God's blessings be on him always! May there be plenty of grain in the land; may the hills be covered with crops, as fruitful as those of Lebanon. May the cities be filled with people, like fields full of grass. May the king's name never be forgotten; may his fame last as long as the sun. May all nations ask God to bless them as he has blessed the king.

Praise the LORD, the God of Israel! He alone does these wonderful things. Praise his glorious name forever! May his glory fill the whole world.

Amen! Amen!



OUR MODEL
OF AUTHORITY



Although he came from the glory of heaven, the Bible says that Jesus humbled himself, even taking on the lowly task of washing the feet of his followers. Although they called him “Teacher” and “LORD”, he was their servant, and it is this kind of servant leadership that God desires for rulers today.

It was now the day before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. He had always loved those in the world who were his own, and he loved them to the very end.

Jesus and his disciples were at supper. The Devil had already put into the heart of Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, the thought of betraying Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had given him complete power; he knew that he had come from God and was going to God. So he rose from the table, took off his outer garment, and tied a towel

around his waist. Then he poured some water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Are you going to wash my feet, LORD?”

Jesus answered him, “You do not understand now what I am doing, but you will understand later.”

Peter declared, “Never at any time will you wash my feet!”

“If I do not wash your feet,” Jesus answered, “you will no longer be my disciple.”

Simon Peter answered, “LORD, do not wash only my feet, then! Wash my hands and head, too!”

Jesus said, “Those who have taken a bath are completely clean and do not have to wash themselves, except for their feet. All of you are clean – all except one. (Jesus already knew who was going to betray him; that is why he said, “All of you, except one, are clean.”)

After Jesus had washed their feet, he put his outer garment back on and returned to his place at the table. “Do you understand what I have just done to you?” he asked.

“You call me Teacher and LORD, and it is right that you do so, because that is what I am. I, your LORD and Teacher, have just washed your feet. You, then, should wash one another’s feet. I have set an



example for you, so that you will do just what I have done for you. I am telling you the truth: no slaves are greater than their master, and no messengers are greater than the one who sent them. Now that you know this truth, how happy you will be if you put it into practice!"

John 13:1-17

Jesus contrasted his style of leadership with many of the leaders in his day...and ours.

So Jesus called them all together and said, "You know that the rulers of the heathen have power over them, and the leaders have complete authority. This, however, is not the way it shall be among you. If one of you wants to be great, you must be the servant of the rest; and if one of you wants to be first, you must be the slave of the others--- like the Son of Man, who did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life to redeem many people."

Matthew 20:25-28

The servant attitude of Jesus is not only for those in authority. It is for all of us. We are all called to take on the nature of a servant.

Because Jesus humbled himself—even to suffer death on a cross—all people will one day fall on their knees and give him the honor he is due.



Don't do anything from selfish ambition or from a cheap desire to boast, but be humble toward one another, always considering others better than yourselves. And look out for one another's interests, not just for your own. The attitude you should have is the one that Christ Jesus had: He always had the nature of God, but he did not think that by force he should try to remain equal with God. Instead of this, of his own free will he gave up all he had, and took the nature of a servant. He became like a human being and appeared in human likeness. He was humble and walked the path of obedience all the way to death--- his death on the cross. For this reason God raised him to the highest place above and gave him the name that is greater than any other name. And so, in honor of the name of Jesus all beings in heaven, on earth, and in the world below will fall on their knees, and all will openly proclaim...



*...that Jesus Christ
is Lord,
to the glory of
God the Father.*

Philippians 2:3-11

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