

**Summary, Passive & Active Resistance; Review: L-408-426**

Francis thus differentiates between legitimate disagreement against the regime's policies and the point at which that disagreement may take the form of resistance.

As I taught you consistently in our study of *The Biblical View of Civil Disobedience*, rebellion against duly established authority is only legitimate when you are personally asked to violate a divine standard which you are clearly convinced is inflexible.

Francis left out the ace-in-the-hole advantage possessed by every believer who steadily advances down the Santa Fé Trail: Jesus Christ controls history on behalf of the Pivot.

We must submit to duly authorized authority. We are under divine mandate to do so. We must continue our obedience until that authority begins to demand by force of law that we, as individuals, must personally violate clear, inflexible biblical mandates to do, or not do, otherwise.

Our freedom is protected by a constitution which clearly reiterates those natural birthrights possessed by every citizen of this country. Almost all are biblically defensible. If ever those rights are violated by aggressive governmental decrees, it will be up to you personally to decide what you are going to do about it.

You have inalienable rights. Many before us have individually bled and died to defend them. You may one day have the opportunity to decide whether they are inalienable enough for you to do the same. In the meantime, your obligation is to concentrate on the details of executing the Christian way of life and to stay focused on your objective of attaining spiritual maturity.

Until the authorities by force of law seek to dislodge you from the wheel-tracks of righteousness, you are to continue advancing, day by day, toward your spiritual Santa Fé. In other words, to again quote General Robert E. Lee,

*“Do your duty, the rest is God's will.”*

**VIII. Review: The Right to Bear Arms**

CWL-408; Thur., 23 Jan. 1997: “Letter from a Friend; Original Intent: 'A Well-Regulated Militia'” CWL-409; Tue., 28 Jan.: “Being Necessary to the Security of a Free State'; Natural Rights” CWL-410; Thur., 30 Jan.: “To Keep & Bear Arms'; Prohibition; Implication”

CWL-411; Sun.-1, 2 Feb.: “Illustration: Lk 11:14-23, Intro: Miracles” CWL-412; Sun.-2, 2 Feb.: “Lk 11:14-21a, Debate: Christ vs. the Pharisees”

CWL-413; Tue., 4 Feb.: “Lk 11:21-b; Natural Rights Established in the Decalogue, Ex 20:13-17” CWL-414; Thur. 6 Feb.: “Lk 11:21c-22; Lk 22; Plans A & B”

CWL-415; Sun.-1, 9 Feb.: “Lk 22:35 cp.w Jn 13-17, Chronological Orientation” CWL-416; Sun.-2, 9 Feb.: “Logistical Support for Plan A, Lk 22:35a” CWL-417; Tue., 11 Feb.: “Swags, Tucker-bags, & Matildas; Plan A's Logistics” CWL-418; Thur., 13 Feb.: “1st Century Trail Riders; Lk 22:36, Policy Change”

CWL-419; Sun.-1, 16 Feb.: “Machaira: 1st Century Colt .45; 'Sell Your coat; Buy a Sword'” CWL-420; Sun.-2, 16 Feb.: “Lk 22:36-38 cp,w Isa 53:12; Armed Apostles”

CWL-421; Tue., 18 Feb.: “For Defense, Not Offense, Lk 22:36 cp.w Mt 26:52, Summary 1-12” CWL-422; Thur., 20 Feb.: “Summary 13-28; Motivation for Home Defense, Intro”

CWL-423; Sun.-1, 23 Feb.: “Motivation for Home Defense, Neh 4:12-15” CWL-424; Sun.-2, 23 Feb.: “A Polemic on Gun Control, Snyder's Essay; Principles” CWL-425; Tue., 25 Feb.: “Lessons from Dunblane; Letter to a Friend”

CWL-426; Thur., 27 Feb.: “Kopel, God & Gun Control; Francis, Passive & Active Resistance”

It's again time, once again, for us to hitch up our teams, mount our wagons, and ride deeper into the Jornada. A new adventure awaits us in the blazing sands of the Great Prairie Ocean.