

VI. Laws of Divine Establishment and the Royal Family Honor Code: Duty and Priorities

It is rare in human history to document a governmental ruler who was fair, just, honest, virtuous, and motivated by a sense of duty.

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History is cluttered with despots, dictators, demagogues, and tyrants who gained great authority but who possessed no talent for leadership.

But inevitably, whenever any of these misfits began to threaten the security and the safety of God's elect, their authority is withdrawn with a vengeance. We have just noted Herod Agrippa.

So long as the elect may evangelize, teach doctrine, and provide a haven of refuge for the Jewish diaspora, then Jesus Christ is apparently not all that interested in the affairs of unsaved men.

Remember how Roy Rogers was so concerned for the condition of handicapped children that he questioned the justice of God and His plan? He soon learned that God has a plan for every member of the human race. Those who accept Jesus as the Christ are divinely protected in time while they maintain the future security of eternal life. Those who do not are on their own. Children, handicapped or not, are saved if they should die before accountability.

Everyone's resurrection body is perfect, the most important part being the absence of an old sin nature.

The primary issue in the Angelic Conflict is to save a few of the human race from certain destruction. All must eventually be destroyed—the earth and all that is in it.

In order for evangelism to be accomplished to the greatest efficiency, order among men must be maintained.

The most effective way of accomplishing this objective is an honorable obedience to duly established authority.

Such an attitude cannot be sustained under unjust government unless the believer is confident that his eternal future is secure and that God will protect him against all earthly exigencies.

Those things we are asked to endure are intended to glorify Christ, magnify the Word, and bring blessing to the winner.

In order to adjust to the unjust, unfair, and undeserved pressures of the world, the believer must maintain a strict set of priorities:

1. The top priority is his own personal spiritual growth through the knowledge of Biblical truth.
2. This knowledge must be applied under pressure in the form of problem solving, decision making, and continued spiritual growth.
3. Others must be shown the way of salvation through faith in Christ. This can be accomplished through personal evangelism, the execution of the Christian way of life, or both.
4. All difficulties and pressures must be evaluated in the light of the Angelic Conflict.
5. There are no accidents in the plan of God nor are there any insignificant decisions.
6. All things must be evaluated from a theological perspective.
7. If you are a believer, Jesus Christ keeps a running inventory of the content of your emotions and your stream of consciousness—your kidneys and heart. Revelation 2:23

8. If you fail to utilize your assets in the interests of His plan then you must eventually fall under the scrutiny of His justice.
9. Those who understand priority management keep their eyes firmly focused on the eternal future rather than the temporary details of life.
10. Citizenship in the heavenly community reduces our trials on this earthly sphere to its proper level of insignificance.

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11. Paul speaks here of the Uniforms of Glory presently worn by our Lord and available to every believer who advances to the status of winner.

With these priorities and their associated rationales, the believer is enabled to endure any government, any circumstance, or any pressure the Angelic Conflict might offer.