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God **HONORS** submission to civil authority. vv. 3 & 5

- We will avoid penalties for **DISOBEDIENCE**.
- We will have a **CLEAR CONSCIENCE** before God.

God desires to **PROTECT US** with civil authorities. v. 4

- They are to be God's **SERVANTS** for our good.
- They are to be God's **AVENGERS** for those who would do harm to others.

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- **PAY TAXES**. Matthew 22:15-21
- **PAY RESPECT** to all those in authority.