

Submitting to Authority / Praying for Authority

Titus 3:1-5 be subject to rulers and speak evil of no one

Acts 23:5 Don't speak evil (curse) of a leader of your people

Romans 13:1-7 Submit to governing authorities for there is no authority except from Yahuah and those which exist are established by Yahuah

Paul is writing to gentiles under gentile governing authority

I Peter 2:13-20 submit yourselves to every human institution

Exodus 22:28 don't curse Yahuah or a ruler of your people

Numbers 12:1-11 Aron and Miriam rebel against Moses

Ec 10:20 don't curse a king or a rich man for winged creatures will make the matter known

Dan 2:20-23 He removes and sets up kings

During the last presidential election most of the people I know were voting against obama, it wasn't that they were voting for someone, but that they were voting against someone. After Obama was elected, I remember some of the people saying "He's not my president!". I also remember some of the people saying, "I won't pray for him".

I don't think this is the right attitude to have. I think it gives the Hebrew Roots movement a bad name in the sense that we seem rebellious. I think it is rebellion to not submit to authority. I also think it's in bad taste to go around bashing someone.

I don't think we can really compare our presidents to Moses or to righteous kings. Our presidents are probably more comparable to the unrighteous kings of Israel. But the situations are similar in that our presidents are the rulers of this land.

I think of submitting to authority- and I think of submitting to my boss at work, or the owner who is comparable to a slave owner- cuase I am just a slave working in his field, and he is providing means for me and my family to survive.

I think of Yahusha saying render unto Yahuah that which is Yahuah's and render unto ceasar that which is ceasars.

I think of Paul saying submit your self to every human institution, for there is no authority except from Yahuah.

I think of Aron and Miriam rebelling against Moses.

I think of Korahs rebellion.

I think of the people rebelling agains Moses and Aron and Moses telling them they are rebelling against Yahuah.

So the question really becomes – if you don't support the president by saying he's not my president; or if you refuse to pray for the president- Is this rebellion? Are you not guilty of murmuring against them as Miriam and Aron did against moses? Are you not guilty of rejecting leadership that the Father has allowed to be in Authority?

Obviously we are a pagan nation with pagan practices and pagan leaders, we are not Israel, we don't live in a torah obedient society; even though we claim to love god and follow god- we are a lawless people. So would the same rules apply to us as to Israel. Or should we rebel against the leadership in our pagan nation knowing that Yahuah had nothing to do with them being in a position of power and authority?

You decide for yourself! As for me I will submit to the authority the father has place in my life, and I will pray for them and bless them. I will disagree with them when they are in opposition of the Bible; but I will not rebel, I will not mumble, I will not gossip and bash them. Leading and being in the spot light is one of the hardest things to do, because everyone thinks they can do better and will criticize you for everything. It is rare to find followers who will help you to lead, most followers just want too lead. This is one quality I look for in people – give me a leader who doesn't want to lead, but will lead for the sake of the people. Most leaders lead for the sake of pride, spotlight, limelight, title, and not for the sake of the people but rather for the sake of their self.

Phil.2:14 Do everything without grumbling and complaining

I Peter 5:7 Cast your anxiety upon Him because He cares for you

I Tim.2:1-3 pray for all who are in authority

Jer.29:7 pray for the peace of the city where I have sent you