

A BIBLICAL VIEW OF HUMAN GOVERNMENT

1. Human government began shortly after the _____ with the requirement that humanity practice _____ for the sin of _____. (Gen. 8:20-22; 9:1-7)

- *Why does this imply the establishment of human government?*
- *What specific reason does God give for this practice? (Gen. 9:6)*
- *What reason for human government is also implied by the context of Genesis (4:8, 23-24; 6:5, 11-13; 8:22) and specifically stated in Romans 13:1-4?*

2. Human government was the third _____ following _____ and _____ . (Gen. 8:20–11:9)

- *Does human government continue as a “ruling factor” for all subsequent dispensations?*

3. Human government is a _____, along with marriage (Gen. 2:18-25), family (Gen. 4:1-2), nations (Gen. 11:1-9), and the church (Acts 2).

- *Is there any significance to the order of marriage & family before government? (1 Tim. 2:13; Eph. 5:22-23; 6:1)*
- *What does this say about spheres of authority?*

4. Jesus’ teaching about _____ sphere of authority being separate from _____ is the basis for the separation of _____ and _____. (Matt. 17:24-27; 22:15-22)

- *Is America a “Christian” nation?*
- *How are dominion theology & postmillennialism imbalanced regarding church & state?*
- *Have governments been imbalanced at times regarding church & state?*

5. The Bible never prescribes a particular _____ of government for all of humanity prior to the return of Christ. (Rom. 13:1; 1 Peter 2:13-14)

- Theocracy (1 Chron. 17:14; Isa. 43:15)
- Monarchy
- Oligarchy
- Democracy
- Republic

- *What form of government does the United States have?*
- *What type of government does the Bible forewarn about? (Dan. 7:23; Rev. 13; 17)*
- *What is the relation between size of government and individual freedom? (1 Sam. 8:11-17; Rom. 6:16)*
- *Why is it wise for governments to have a separation of powers? (Isa. 33:22; Jer. 17:9)*

6. Though all current governments are ordained by God (Rom. 13:1-2), they are still _____ the authority of God and are _____ to Him (Ps. 103:19; Prov. 21:1; Dan. 4:17, 25-26, 32; John 19:10-11).

- *How does this relate to human rulers in the present? (Dan. 4:27; Jonah 1:2; 3:4-10; Mark 6:17-18; Acts 24:25; Rom. 2:14-15)*
- *How does this relate to Satan as the “god/prince/ruler” of this world system? (Job 1:6-12; 2:1-7; Luke 4:5-6; John 12:31; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 2:2; Rev. 20:10)*

7. In the present age, all human governments are _____ because they are led by _____, until _____ returns to reign in His kingdom in perfect righteousness as the only _____ redeemer and ruler. (Gen. 3:15; Isa. 9:6-7; Rev. 5:2-7; 19:16)