

ROMANS

A nighttime photograph of the Colosseum in Rome, Italy. The structure is illuminated with warm, golden lights, highlighting its iconic tiered arches and partially ruined facade. In the foreground, there are dark silhouettes of trees and a fence, with some foliage on the left side catching the light. The sky is dark, making the illuminated building stand out prominently.

Government
Authority -
13:1-2

Colosseum



**Roman
Forum**

CONTEXT

The background image shows the Arch of Constantine in Rome, Italy. It is a large, ornate triumphal archway made of travertine, featuring intricate carvings and statues. The arch is set against a backdrop of green hills and ancient Roman ruins under a cloudy sky. The archway has three main openings, with the central one being the largest. The surrounding area is a mix of greenery and urban infrastructure, including a paved road and a metal fence in the foreground.

1. Textual Context - Rom 13

Arch of
Constantine

PROVISION
Of God's Righteousness

1-8



VINDICATION
Of God's Righteousness

9-11



APPLICATION
Of God's Righteousness

12:1-
15:13



God
12:1-2

Church
12:3-21

Society
13

C. Liberty
14:1-15:13

OUTLINE

- IV. Application of God's Right. 12:1-15:13**
 - A. Application to God 12:1-2**
 - B. Application to Church 12:3-21**
 - C. Application to Society 13**
 - 1. Submission to Authority 13:1-7**
 - a. Submission Foundation 13:1-2**
 - 1) Response of Submission 13:1**

ISSUES

- 1. When is revolt ok?**
- 2. Is it ok to protest?**
- 3. Is pacifism ok?**
- 4. Can you withhold taxes?
abortion...**
- 5. What if government is evil?**
- 6. What if government fails its role?**
- 7. What is place of political activism?**

13:1 Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.

13:2 Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.

CONTEXT

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Arch of Constantine in Rome, Italy. The arch is a large, ancient stone structure with multiple arches and intricate carvings. It is surrounded by a green lawn and trees, with the city of Rome visible in the distance under a cloudy sky.

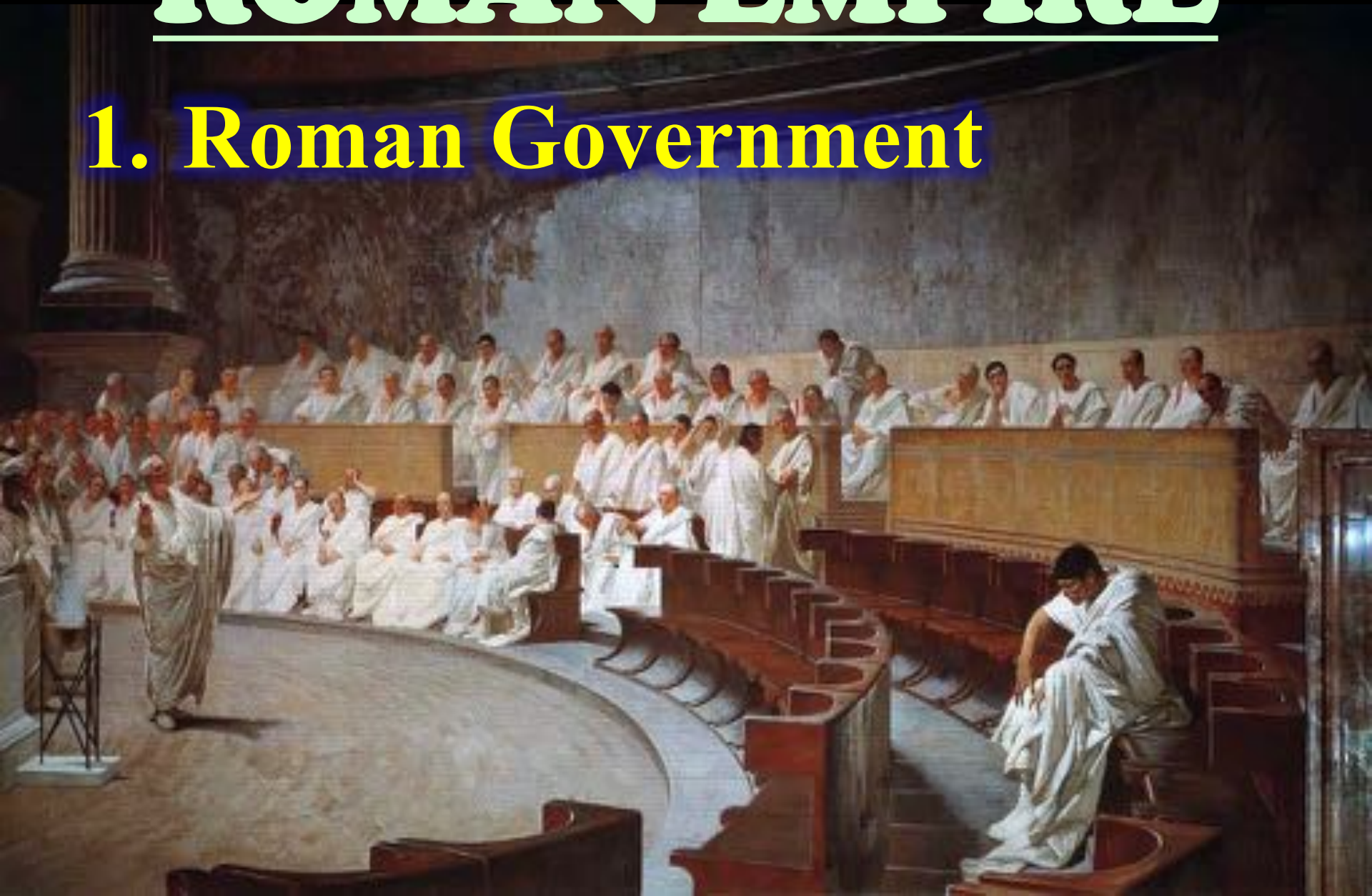
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2. Historical Context - R. E.

Arch of
Constantine

ROMAN EMPIRE

1. Roman Government



ROMAN EMPIRE

- 1. Divided government**
- 2. After killing of Julius Caesar (44BC)**
- 3. Degeneration**
- 4. Persecution of church by Jews**
- 5. Fair treatment by Rome**
- 6. Corruption - Mt 9:9, Lk 19:1-10**

ROMAN EMPIRE

1. Roman Government

2. Roman Treatment of Jews



JEWISH TREATMENT

- 1. Tolerant of religion/customs**
- 2. Permitted Sabbath worship**
- 3. No images in temple area**
- 4. Not required to worship Emperor**

ROMAN EMPIRE

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2. Roman Treatment of Jews

3. Resisting Attitude of Jews



JEWISH ATTITUDE

- 1. Nationalism - Deut 17:14-15, Jn 8:33**
- 2. Rights - Mt 22:16-17**
- 3. Constant rebellion - Act 5:36-39**
- 4. Zealots - Lk 6:15**
- 5. Expelled from Rome - Act 18:1-2**

**Emperor
Claudius
(41-54)
Expelled
Jews from
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(~49-53)**



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- 6. AD 70**



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4. Relationship of Church



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1. Term - εξουσια (exousia)

2. Usage

God - Jd 25

Christ - Mt 28:18

AUTHORITY

Leaders - Jn 19:10-11

Disciples - 2Co 13:10

Angels/Satan/Demons - Col 2:15

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3. Theological Context

Arch of
Constantine

IMPORTANCE

1. Within Trinity - 1Cor 15:27
2. Ultimate Authority - Ps 62:11
3. Fall of Satan - Isa 14:13
4. Fall of Man - Gen 3:1f
5. Resisted by Cain - Gen 4:1f
6. Rebelled at Babel - Gen 11:1f
7. Peaks with antichrist - Rev 13:1f
8. Ultimate goal of history - 1Cor 15:28

**THE
AUTHORITY**

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SUBMISSION

1. Term - ὑποτασσω
2. Meaning - military term
to line up under, to rank one under
to submit to authority
3. Begins with Submission to God
4. Includes attitude of heart
5. At heart of Christian life

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 - 2) Ruler of Authority**

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DELEGATED

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2. Divine Institutions



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a. Views - social structures

Secular - arbitrary conv.

Biblical - Divine institutions

b. Foundations of Culture

**marriage, family, masters,
church, government**

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SUBMISSION BASIS

- 1. Sovereignty in OT - Dan 2:21, 37, 4:17, Ps 2:2-4, Jer 29:4-7**
- 2. Jesus - Lk 2:51, Jn 19:11**
- 3. Sovereignty in NT -
Stephen (Ac 7), Apostles**

NO DISTINCTIONS

- **Monarchy, aristocratic, republic, democracy ...**
- **Totalitarian, atheistic, evil ...**
- **Leaders fulfilling purpose or not**
- **Unbelieving husbands - 1Pet 3**
- **Exceptions**

Sea of Galilee

**A most important
principle is
SUBMISSION to
AUTHORITY!!!**

Sea of Galilee

**Teach children the
importance of
submitting to
AUTHORITY!!!**