

Paying Taxes -13:3-7

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13:4 for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil.



Restraining of Evil
Rewarding of Good
Retribution of Evil

13:5 Therefore it is necessary to be in subjection, not only because of wrath, but also for conscience' sake.



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4. Role of Church

ROLE OF CHURCH

- 1. Proclaim truth
- 2. Protect family & divine inst.
- 3. Promote biblical justice
- 4. Protect nat'l sovereignty & Israel
- 5. Provide for poor
- 6. Pay taxes (responsibility of all)



No biblical teaching
Privilege to vote
Biblical priorities

Government service
Calling to activism

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HISTORY OF TAXATION

- 1. Joseph in Egypt Gen 41:34
- 2. Mosaic Law Lev 27:30-33
- **3. Kingdom 1Kg 12:3-4**
- 4. Near Israel's end -
- 5. Exile -
- 6. **Rome** -
- 7. Temple -

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- 5. Custom $\tau \in \lambda os$ (telos)
 - indirect tax, customs

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Sea of Galilee

Be an activist for Christ: pray and be the salt of the earth!!!