Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, May 15, 2022 Sermon Scriptures

<u>Titus 3:1</u> ¶ **Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities**, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed,

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<u>**1** Pet. 2:13, 14</u> <u>**13**</u> ¶ Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority, <u>14</u> or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right.

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

<u>Rom. 13:3</u> For **rulers are not a cause of fear** for good behavior, **but for evil**. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good and you will have praise from the same;

<u>Rom. 13:4</u> 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.

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

<u>Rom. 13:6</u> For because of this you also pay taxes, for *rulers* are servants of God, devoting themselves to this very thing.

<u>Rom. 13:7</u> Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax *is due;* custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

Dan. 3:12-18 12 "There are certain Jews whom you have appointed **over the administration of the province of Babylon**, *namely* **Shadrach**, **Meshach and Abednego**. These men, O king, have disregarded you; **they do not serve your gods or worship** the golden image which you have set up." **13** ¶ Then **Nebuchadnezzar in rage and anger** gave orders to bring Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego; then these men were brought before the king. **14** Nebuchadnezzar responded and said to them, "**Is it true**, Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, that **you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up?** **Dan. 3:15** "Now if you are ready, at the moment you hear the sound of the horn, flute, lyre, trigon, psaltery and bagpipe and all kinds of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, *very well.* But if you do not worship, you will immediately be cast into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire; and what god is there who can deliver you out of my hands?" <u>16</u> ¶ Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter. <u>17</u> "If it be *so*, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. <u>18</u> "But *even* if *He does* not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up."

Acts 5:18-20 18 They laid hands on the apostles and put them in a public jail. 19 But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the prison, and taking them out he said, 20 "Go, stand and speak to the people in the temple the whole message of this Life."

<u>Acts 5:25-29</u> <u>25</u> But someone came and reported to them, "The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!" <u>26</u> Then the captain went along with the officers and *proceeded* to bring them *back* without violence (for they were afraid of the people, that they might be stoned). <u>27</u> ¶ When they had brought them, they stood them before the Council. The high priest questioned them, <u>28</u> saying, "We gave you strict orders not to continue teaching in this name, and yet, you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and intend to bring this man's blood upon us."

Acts 5:29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men.