

VI. Laws of Divine Establishment and the Royal Family Honor Code: Influence, Not Control

Our duty, while on this temporary assignment, is to demonstrate, through word and deed, the superior moral and spiritual policies of our heavenly citizenship.

The Apostles never sought to gain control of the Roman government nor did they seek to legislate moral standards and biblical doctrines into the Roman legal code.

What they sought to do was change the Zeitgeist by evangelizing the lost and teaching doctrine to the few who believed.

In time, this change of thought, if broadly accepted, will result in a change of governmental policies.

As in every generation, the laws of a society represent the written chronicle of its citizens' moral beliefs.

Consequently, your duty is not to seek to change the lifestyle, behavior, or philosophies of your fellow citizens.

As ambassador for Christ, you are to assume the status of resident alien with the mission of drawing out whosoever will from among the masses into the citizenship of the heavenly community.

Following their spiritual birth, converts are responsible to learn the written instructions which will develop their ambassadorship function in the client nation.

When enough citizens of a client nation are recruited into the heavenly Politeuma, their beliefs will eventually be reflected in their earthly Zeitgeist.

The Zeitgeist, being the inventory of thought possessed within a culture at any given moment of history, reflects itself in the morals, the lifestyle and, ultimately, the laws of the country.

Consequently, the morals and lifestyle of your fellow citizen is inconsequential to the successful resolution of the Angelic Conflict.

The Devil's world is corrupt and the people who populate it come into its domain as totally depraved.

They are incapable of changing their plight through any effort they might exert personally.

God recognized this hopeless situation of mankind and, motivated by His unconditional love, sent His Son, the uniquely-born One, for the purpose of assuring that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

The ambassador's assignment is not to condemn the earthly citizen's immorality, lifestyle, or behavior. He is first of all to offer him a way of escape through faith alone in Christ alone.

If accepted, then training in ambassador function should be encouraged. If rejected, then the convert will continue to indulge in the same beliefs, lifestyle, and behavior as before his salvation.

To become upset about this is to forget your mission, which is to evangelize the lost, and to forget your status, which is foreign envoy. Therefore, you are to take no insult as personal.

Rejection of the message is an act of free will and is the privilege of the unbeliever to make. He is free to remain in the slave market of sin and to contribute to a Zeitgeist of degradation and perversity.

We, as ambassadors of the Heavenly Community, are not assigned the duty of whitewashing the Devil's world.

We are to execute God's policy in the hostile environment of Cosmos Diabolicus and encourage as many as would do so to join us.

But whether or not others join is of no concern to us. That is the responsibility of each unbeliever to decide on his own without any coercion from us.

Those who do respond to the divine call become the immediate responsibility of the Holy Spirit whose duty is to save their souls.

Whatever goes on in the Devil's world as practiced by the unbelieving population is simply not a concern or a worry for the believer, nor is it any of his business.

The hope and prayer of the believer is that enough people would respond to the Gospel, and subsequently to the Scripture, to positively influence the nation's culture.

If this occurs it will eventually have influence on the laws of the land.

Under our Constitution, citizens of the United States are empowered to change their laws and, in so doing, restore the nation's legal code to that which the Founders established.

In a free society, all viewpoints should be welcome in the marketplace of ideas.

Therefore, it is the responsibility of the believer as ambassador for Christ, to seek the salvation of the lost through personal evangelism, and then to encourage those who respond positively to enter into Bible study.

Further, it is the duty of every believer as citizen of this nation to participate in the governmental process by voting, serving on juries, paying taxes, and holding public office. For male believers there is also the obligation to serve in the armed forces. (Women may serve in non-combat related positions in the military but it most assuredly is not an obligation or a duty for them.)

Finally, it is the right of every believer to make his establishment-based moral beliefs known to anyone he so chooses.

This means he has the right to influence his local, state, and national representatives to incorporate his beliefs into our legal codes.

The Christian has as much a right under our Constitution to influence government regarding his moral beliefs as does any other citizen.

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