

## SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

### AUTHORITY

**1 SA. 24:6-10 (6)** He said to his men, “The LORD forbid that I should do such a thing to master, the LORD’s anointed, or lift my hand against him; for he is the anointed of the LORD.” **(7)** With these words David rebuked his men, and did not allow them to attack Saul. And Saul left the cave and went his way. **(8)** Then David went out of the cave and called out to Saul, “My lord the king!” When Saul looked behind him, David bowed down and prostrated himself with his face to the ground. **(9)** He said to Saul, “Why do you listen when men say, ‘David is bent on harming you’? **(10)** This day you have seen with your own eyes how the LORD delivered you into my hands in the cave. Some urged me to kill you, but I spared you; I said, ‘I will not lift my hand against my master, because he is the LORD’s anointed.’”

**MT 8:8-10 (8)** The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. **(9)** For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and that one, ‘Come,’ and he comes. I say to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” **(10)** When Jesus heard this, he was astonished and said to those following him, “I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith.”

**Mt 23:1-3 (1)** Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: **(2)** “The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. **(3)** So you must obey them and do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. There is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. **(2)** Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. **(3)** For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you. **(4)** For he is God’s servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God’s servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. **(5)** Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. **(6)** This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God’s servants, who give their full time to governing. **(7)** Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.”

**EPH 5:22-24 (22)** Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. **(23)** For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which

he is the Savior. **(24)** Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

**TIT 2:15** These, then, are the things you should teach. Encourage and rebuke with all authority. Do not let anyone despise you.

**TIT 3:1** Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good,