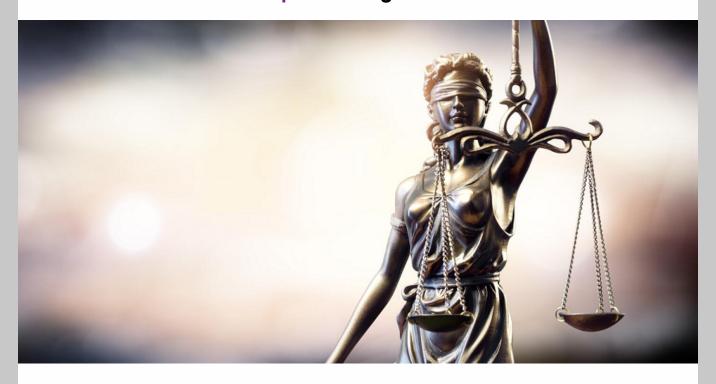




"For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us"

The Supreme Kingdom of God



In the United States of America, we live in an earthly Kingdom, although one which is more democratic in nature. In the USA, our system of government has three offices or branches, the Judicial is composed of judges, the Legislative is composed of lawmakers, and the Executive Branch is headed by the President. Similarly, in the Kingdom of God there are also three offices, the office of the Judge, Lawgiver, and King (Isaiah 33:22).

When one comes to faith in Jesus, they are translated into a new Kingdom. Paul tells us that God "hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son[Jesus] (Colossians 1:13)." In this new Kingdom, God holds all three offices - lawgiver, king, and judge. God is our lawgiver; the law came to Moses through the 10 commandments (Exodus 34:28). The Son of God is our King, Jesus is the one in charge and is Lord of this Supreme Kingdom. And finally, God is also our ultimate judge, when the King returns, He will judge the world righteously (Psalm 67:4).

The Christian is in an interesting position. She is called to be a model citizen in the earthly Kingdom (government) in which she finds herself. Yet she also is a citizen of a higher Kingdom, the Kingdom of God. In the United States Constitution, there is something called the <u>Supremacy Clause</u>. This clause states that when there is a conflict between federal law and state law, the federal law reigns supreme.

Similarly for the Christian, the authority of the Kingdom of God reigns supreme over the authority of the earthly Kingdom. For the Christian, when there is a conflict between the law given by God and the law given by man, God's law reigns supreme. When there is a conflict between the orders of an earthly executive, and the orders of the **King** of **Kings** and the **Lord** of **Lords**; the orders of Jesus(K-K-&-L-L) reigns supreme. And finally, when there is despair because of the judgments of the lower earthly courts, we can rejoice because there is a higher court with a more Supreme Judge, whose throne sits above the earth and His rulings are ultimate and final (Isaiah 40:22-23)

-Your brother in Christ, WNL

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"While lady liberty or justice is said to be blind, we put our faith in a Kingdom with perfect vision and perfect governance."

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for reminding me that you are the ultimate and supreme lawgiver, judge, and king. Help me to put full faith and allegiance in your Kingdom. Your Kingdom oh Lord, reigns supreme. In Jesus name I pray, Amen.



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