

**CONNECT Group study questions for Oct. 21, 2018**  
**Title: "Proper Response to Government"**

**Read Romans 13:1-7.**  
**Sermon Questions for 10/21/18**

1. Paul is making the argument for a proper response to government in these verses. What was the government like in Paul's day? How did the government respond to him throughout his life? Take a few moments to survey a few key New Testament texts.
  
2. What does Paul say about human government in chapter 13? Survey 1-7 and try to recall what Peppy taught us from these verses. Give some practical examples of how we live these out (or *ought* to live these out) every day.
  
3. If Paul makes the argument for a proper response to his government when he was greatly abused and persecuted by that evil government, what does that say about our responsibility to respond properly to the government? What does it mean for us that we have dual citizenship, citizenship in both America and in heaven.
  
4. Think through together the three questions Peppy raised at the end of his sermon:
  - How far can a Christian go in expressing opposition to an unjust government?
  - What should Christians do if the government orders them to do something that conflicts with their faith?
  - What about civil disobedience?How should Christians go about answering these questions?