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²⁷ through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

a: Render unto Caesar

Luke 20:25

²⁵ And He said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

Romans 13:7

⁷ Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor.

Romans 13:1

¹ Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.

- Government / state
- Church
- Economic enterprises
- Marriage
- Family

b: Honour the king

I Peter 2:17

¹⁷ Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

I Timothy 2:1-3

¹ Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³ For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,

Luke 22:25-38

³⁵ And He said to them, "When I sent you without money bag, knapsack, and sandals, did you lack anything?" So they said, "Nothing." ³⁶ Then He said to them, "But now, he who has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one. ³⁷ For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: and he was numbered with the transgressors.' For the things concerning Me have an end." ³⁸ So they said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." And He said to them, "It is enough."

- Dysfunctional institutions
- Preparedness vs. denial
- · Pro-active responsibility vs. alarm and fear
- Faith and hope vs. despair and desperation

c: Mercy without prejudice - justice

- Empathy and sympathy for traumatized and stressed
- Support and encouragement
- Mobilize & network
- Protect and prevent
- Prayer and warfare

Isaiah 30:18

¹⁸ Therefore the LORD will wait, that He may be gracious to you; And therefore He will be exalted, that He may have mercy on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; Blessed are all those who wait for Him.

Hosea 12:6

⁶ So you, by the help of your God, return; Observe mercy and justice, And wait on your God continually.

Matthew 12:18, 20

¹⁸ Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen, My Beloved in whom My soul is well pleased! I will put My Spirit upon Him, And He will declare justice to the Gentiles.

²⁰ A bruised reed He will not break, And smoking flax He will not quench, Till He sends forth justice to victory;

Luke 22:40, 46 NASB

⁴⁰ When He arrived at the place, He said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."
⁴⁶ and said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not enter into temptation."

Matthew 24:20

²⁰ And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.