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God's Story of Redemption

Kings For The People

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God Sets Up Authority Structures

- Moses and Aaron – 1 Samuel 12:6
- David and the Kings – 2 Samuel 7:16
- Civil Officials – Romans 13:1
- Parents/Family – Ephesians 6:1
- Pastors/Church – 1 Peter 5:2
- Boss/Work – Ephesians 6:5-8

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Authorities Enforce God's Order and Rule

“Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.”

-Romans 13:1-2

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Authorities Enforce God's Order and Rule

-organizations need organization

“The reason I left you in Crete was that you might straighten out what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you.”

-Titus 1:5

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Authorities Enforce God's Order and Rule

-sinful world needs restraint

“Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right.”

-1 Peter 2:13-14

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Authorities Deliver God's Blessing

**“For he is God's servant to do you good.”
-Romans 13:4**

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Authorities Bring God's Blessing *-structure brings peace*

“During Solomon’s lifetime Judah and Israel, from Dan to Beersheba, lived in safety, each man under his own vine and fig tree.”

-1 Kings 4:25

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Authorities Bring God's Blessing *-restraint brings hope*

“Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness. No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.”

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-Hebrews 12:10-11



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My Half of the Equation: Submit

“Obey your leaders and submit to their authority.”

-Hebrews 13:17

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My Blessing Is Tied To My Role

“Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.”

-Hebrews 13:17

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Authority Answers to God, Not to Me

“They keep watch over you as men who must give an account.”

-Hebrews 13:17

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God Cares Whether Authority Does Or Not

“Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. . . God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up due time. Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you.”

-1 Peter 5:5-7

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Jesus Is the Final Authority

- Over Every Other Authority– Ephesians 1:21-22
- Will Enforce God's Order and Rule – Psalm 2;
Revelation 19:11-16
- Wildly Blesses Us Forever– John 10:1-18

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