

Discussion Questions
Romans 13:8-14

As a review from last week, Read Rom 13:1 the root idea of “Submission” is “order” All Christian submissions are expressions of the believer’s submission to God. Submission does not demean or reduce value, for one may have to exercise leadership in one context and submit in another.

1. What examples of biblical submission is revealed in the following verses:

- 1 Cor 15:24-28
- James 4:7
- Titus 2:9
- 1 Pet 5:5
- 1 Tim 3:4
- Col 3:18

How do these verses shed light on Rom 13:7-8?

2. What is the command given in verse 8? Read Mat 22:15-22. What is the debt that every Christian has according to verse 8? What is the motivation given for the fulfillment of that debt? (See v10)

3. What is the point Paul is making by listing the commandments in verse 9-10? In your own words, rephrase the concept Paul is conveying in these verses?

4. What is the point Paul is making in verses 11-14? What is his overarching argument?

5. What differentiates the exhortations in verses 11-14 from Natural Virtue or Religious Moralism? Is there a real difference between the two in your life?