**ELECTION SERMONS**

**<u>God and Government</u>**
**Romans 13:1-5**

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1. **God is _____ over all, therefore it is the Christian's devotion to the Lordship of Christ that is to govern every aspect of their life.**

2. **God has ordained a _____ of human governments with each sphere having its own functions, limitations, and powers.**

a. GOD

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| Man | Man | Man |
| Home | Church | State |

b. A civil government and its officials are providentially ordained by God but not necessarily divinely _____ by Him.

3. **God has ordained in His Word the functions of civil government.**

a. As ministers of God and in accordance with His moral law, civil magistrates are to make determinations regarding _____ and _____.

b. As ministers of God, civil magistrates are to administer _____ so that those who do evil are punished and those who do good are free to live their lives.

4. **Believers are to be in a God-honoring subjection to the governing authorities.**

a. There must be a readiness to _____ the law and uphold legal order.

*"Civil magistrates being set up by God for the ends aforesaid; subjection, in all _____ things commanded by them, ought to be yielded by us in the Lord, not only for wrath, but for conscience' sake."*
*- 1689 Baptist Confession*

b. When governing authorities cease to govern in ways that are consistent with God's moral law, they should be rebuked, resisted, and _____.