



**CHURCH VS STATE**



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The relationship between church and state is not a problem to solve but a tension to manage (Romans 13 v/s Revelation 13).

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Tensions must be **FACED**, not ignored.

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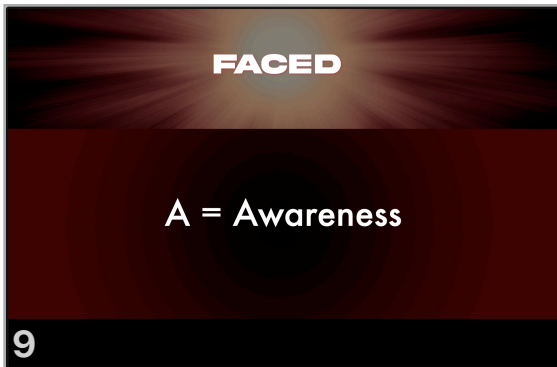
**F = Factors**

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<p><b>PAPACY</b> (10-14th Century)</p> <p>God gave the spiritual and the secular swords to the Pope because he was the priest of Christ himself.</p>	<p><b>MARTIN LUTHER</b> (1483-1546)</p> <p>His approach looked very much like the Caesaropapism championed in the 13th century: the head of the state is also the head of the church and supreme judge in all religious matters.</p>	<p><b>ULRICH ZWINGLI</b> (1484-1531)</p> <p>The church was an invisible organization of saints and could not remove discipline and ungodly activities; these two things fell to the state. This gave the state unprecedented control over the church.</p>	<p><b>JOHN CALVIN</b> (1509-1564)</p> <p>Calvin did not hold to a two-kingdom view of church and state, but a two-government view of God's ordered kingdom. Calvin maintained a distinction, though not separation, between church and state. The church must not bear the sword - it must not use coercion to achieve godliness.</p>
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
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**C = Conviction**

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 At you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."



Matthew 16:18-19; see 18:18

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 I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

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 the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

Revelation 1:18

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Jesus gave the church the keys of the kingdom, not the keys of the government.

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





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 But you were chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.



1 Peter 2:9-11

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 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Ephesians 2:19-22

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 But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ...

Philippians 3:20

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"If a Christian is not homesick, they are spiritually sick."

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E = Effort

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**ROMANS 13:5**


Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

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D = Discernment


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 All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. Hebrews 11:13-16


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 Abraham participated and adapted  
 (Gen 14:17-24; 21:22-34; 23; 26:26-31)).

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   I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.  
Matthew 10:16-20

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