**Selfless: Paul’s Letter to the Romans**

Romans 13:1-14 (page 948)

Paul makes it clear that we don’t conform to this world (12:2) but as we live in this world we are told to submit to the governing authorities because they have been instituted by God.

**Be Subject to Governing Authorities** (13:1-7)

They are instituted by God (13:1-2)

They reward good and punish evil (13:3)

They are God’s servants (13:4-6)

They are owed tax, respect, & honor (13:7)

**Love One Another** (13:8-10)

Love fulfills the law (13:8)

Love does no wrong (13:10)

**Wait Eagerly For the Lord** (13:11-14)

Cast off and put on (13:12)

Walk in the light not in darkness (13:13)

Put on Christ and make no provision for the flesh (13:14)

**Reflection and Action:**

What determines your view of and response to the governing authorities?

How will you put on Christ and make no provision for the flesh in thought, word and deed this week?