# Lesson 21: Church and State

## Memory

## Who ordained the civil authorities?

*God did.*

## Why were civil authorities ordained?

*So that the world might be governed by laws and policies*

*in order to restrain man’s lawlessness*

*and that everything might be conducted in good order.*

***How are we to treat the civil authorities?***

*We are to respect the authorities given by God,*

*obey them with respect to all things in agreement with God’s Word*

*and pray for them*

*so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way.*

## Homework

1.(4) In general, government is said to have three arms: legislative, executive, and judiciary. What is meant by this? Explain the three arms, giving an example of each.

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2.(3) Why would it be difficult for a Christian to serve in the judiciary?

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3.(3) Imagine a Christian working as a policeman. This person is called upon to enforce a law he is opposed to because of his faith convictions (e.g. provide security at a sex-fair in Tradex). What should he do? Provide reasoning with your answer.

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