

# **"RENDERING TO EVERY AUTHORITY ITS DUE"**

## **ROMANS 13:6-7**

### **I. IT IS REQUIRED THAT WE PAY OUR TAXES (13:6-7a)**

#### A. The Magnitude Of The Matter

1. Biblically
2. Historically

#### B. "To Pay Or Not To Pay, That Is The Question"

##### 1. Timeless Reasons People Have Rebelled Against Taxation

- a. The Whole System Of Assessing Tax Is Unjust
- b. The Poor Pay The Rich To Live In The Lap Of Luxury
- c. The Monies Are Used For Evil Purposes
- d. The Monies Help Sustain An Evil Empire

##### 2. Timeless Reasons For Paying One's Taxes

- a. Our Name Is Not On The Money
- b. Refusal To Pay May Cause Someone To Stumble
- c. Because Of Conscience Toward God
- d. For Fear Of Wrath
- e. Because Of the Status Of Government Officials

##### i. Who Collect Tribute

1. Ground Tax
2. Income Tax
3. Poll Tax

##### ii. Who Collect Custom

### **II. IT IS REQUIRED THAT WE SHOW PROPER RESPECT TO THE CIVIL AUTHORITY (13:7b)**

#### A. Fear Is Warranted

#### B. Honor Is Warranted