

Read Romans 13:1 – 7:

1. Why can submission be difficult? What circumstances can make it easier or harder?
2. In Romans 13:1 Paul asks Christians to submit to governing authorities. Why would this have been difficult at the time Paul was writing?
3. What reason does Paul give of this submission?
4. What happens if the government is corrupt? How could Peter's teaching in 1Peter 2:18 – 21 help in our understanding here?
5. In v6 what principle does Paul apply to paying taxes?

Read Romans 13:8 – 14:

6. How does the teaching here relate back to what Paul has said in v6 & 7?
7. What debt do we owe to others? How does this fulfil the law?
8. What is the significance of the present time (v11ff)?
9. How should our behaviour be different?
10. What should we be clothed in and why? How does this relate to teaching Paul has given earlier in his letter?
11. How can this be done practically?