

Can Politics Save Us?

“Politics and the Sovereignty of God Pt. 2”

Daniel 1-4 (English Standard Version)



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LEADERS ARE APPOINTED BY GOD ... EVEN BAD ONES

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. (Romans 13:1)

Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above....” (John 19:11a)

A CASE STUDY FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

1. GOD USED NEBUCHADNEZZAR FOR HIS PURPOSES

And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his [Nebuchadnezzar] hand, with some of the vessels of the house of God. (Daniel 1:2)

2. JUST BECAUSE GOD REVEALS HIMSELF DOESN'T MEAN AN EVIL RULER BECOMES GOOD!

“The God of heaven has given you dominion and power and might and glory ... The great God has shown the king what will take place in the future.” (Daniel 2:37; 45)

3. GOD IS SOVEREIGN OVER ALL – EVEN A MAN'S MIND – FOR HIS GLORY

The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will and sets over it the lowliest of men. (Daniel 4:17)

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