

## Session #2 As for Me and My Family

### Elect

- ▶ To choose
- ▶ God's election – Romans 8 and 9
- ▶ We are the elect of the Lord, "those whom God has predestined to salvation"
- ▶ Elect, electing, election should never be strange words

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The Bible contain examples of faithful servants of God speaking out when government officials practiced or encouraged moral or religious evils?

The following passages show that we may and should do so:

**Matthew 14:1-4; 2, 1 Samuel 12:10-15; 1 Kings 13:1-9; Acts 24:24-25.**

Many current government decisions will have major impact on our families. Please answer the following Questions.

- a. Are men responsible to provide for their families, including protecting them from harm (1 Timothy 5:8; Ephesians 5:28,29)?
- b. Are parents responsible to provide a wholesome upbringing for our children (Ephesians 6:4; Proverbs 22:6).

Further Questions for Discussion:

- 1) If my vote can help protect my family from evil government decisions and can help provide a more wholesome environment in which to raise my children, why should I refuse to vote?
- 2) Can we not thereby help protect ourselves and our families from harm, while also helping maintain our freedom to preach and practice the truth?

#### ▶ Social Issues

- ▶ Matters that directly or indirectly affect a person or group of a society and are considered to be a problem

- 1) Give an example of a social issue today
- 2) Give an example of an OT social issue
- 3) Give an example of a NT social issue

**Prayer:** Our Father in heaven, we praise you as the sovereign and good God, our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. As our world spins out of control, grant us grace to trust you. Remind us that even if the ground crumbles from underneath our feet, we have no reason to fear, for you are on your throne (Ps. 46:1-3). But we also know that as ambassadors of our heavenly king and kingdom, we are to be faithful citizens wherever you have placed us on this Earth. In our context, we have the freedom to participate in the political process. Grant us wisdom to do what pleases you; grant us the courage to do what is right. And help us not to put our hope in any candidate now or in the future; help us to put our hope in the Justice of Christ, our king. In the name of Jesus Christ, we ask: **Amen.**