

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

This week we celebrate Independence Day. Pastor Bruce will be teaching on the role that Scripture played in leading the founding fathers to declare their independence from Great Britain.

We will be gathering at the Lord's table to celebrate what the Lord has done for us.

ONLINE GATHERINGS ARE CANCELLED THIS WEEK ONLY

Due to the holiday, online ministries are cancelled this week only. The Prayer Meeting: Tuesday at 7pm with Pastor Tim Brooks
The Bible study: Wednesday at 6:30 – 7:45pm. Go to the online meeting room on our website (hillcrestRoseville.com) to access either gathering.

PROJECT "ROOF 23" – 1 DAY COUNTDOWN

The roof replacement begins tomorrow! Prayerfully consider making donations to the "building fund" to pay for the project.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our offering box is in the back of the sanctuary. You can place your tithes and offerings there, or you can visit our website and give online (hillcrestroseville.com).

CHURCH IN THE PARK – AUGUST 13, 2023

Will be at Royer Park. This will be a major outreach event, not just a picnic. More details will follow.

Welcome
to
Hillcrest Church

Happy Independence Day
God Bless America!

*Show proper respect to everyone, love the family
of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.*

1 Peter 2:17

July 2, 2023

Pastor Bruce Guckelberg, PhD

“Our Historical Roots”

Romans 13:1-6

The Lord wants his people to be connected to their historical roots. That’s why under the Old Covenant he initiated the feast of booths, the Passover observance, the Day of Atonement, and much more. These observances reminded the people of their historical origin. What about us? When we celebrate Independence Day do we remember the historical circumstances that led the founding fathers to declare independence from Great Britain? This morning, we will get a glimpse into the role that preachers played in guiding our forefather to declare independence.

#1. EVERYONE MUST SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES, v. 1

- A. God establishes governing authorities
- B. God is sovereign over the nations, Job 12:23, Acts 17:26
- C. God established the Roman Empire
- D. God wants us to pray for authorities, 1 Pet 2:12-16, 1 Tim 2:1-2

#2. REBELLING AGAINST GOVERNMENT IS REBELLING AGAINST GOD, vv. 2-3

- A. Rebelling against authority brings judgment, v. 2
- B. Rulers do not punish those who do right, v. 3
- C. Rulers punish wrongdoers, v. 3

#3. GOVERNMENT IS GOD’S SERVANT, vv. 4-6

- A. For the purpose of doing good for the citizens, v. 4
- B. He bears the sword for wrongdoers, v. 4
- C. He is an agent of God’s wrath on wrongdoers, v. 4
- D. Submit to authorities because of conscience, v. 5
- E. Taxation is justified, v. 6

#4. WHEN IS REBELLING AGAINST THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES JUSTIFIED BEFORE GOD?

- A. The example of the Exodus, Ex 1-14
- B. The example of Daniel, Dan 6:10
- C. The example of Peter, Acts 5:29