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Does the gospel only affect our eternity?

Romans 13:1 – We must submit ourselves to the governing authorities ...
... for there is no authority except that which God has established”.

verse 2, if we rebel against the ruling authorities then we are rebelling against what God has instituted.

John 19:11, “you would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above’.

verse 3-4, reward good ... punish the wrong doer ... agents of his wrath

What if the governing authorities are opposed to Christianity?

What does that submission look like?

verse 6-7

1 Timothy 2 - pray for our political leaders

What if they ask us to do something ungodly?

Exodus 1:17, Daniel 3, 6,

Acts 5:29, “They must obey God rather than men”

1 Peter 2 ... unjustly punished by those appointed by God to rule

Can we protest or lobby?

What if the governing authorities are evil?

Romans 12:21 encouraged them to do, they overcame evil by doing good.