



Living our Faith as Citizens

Christians Living Citizenship

Privileged to be citizens of Heaven,

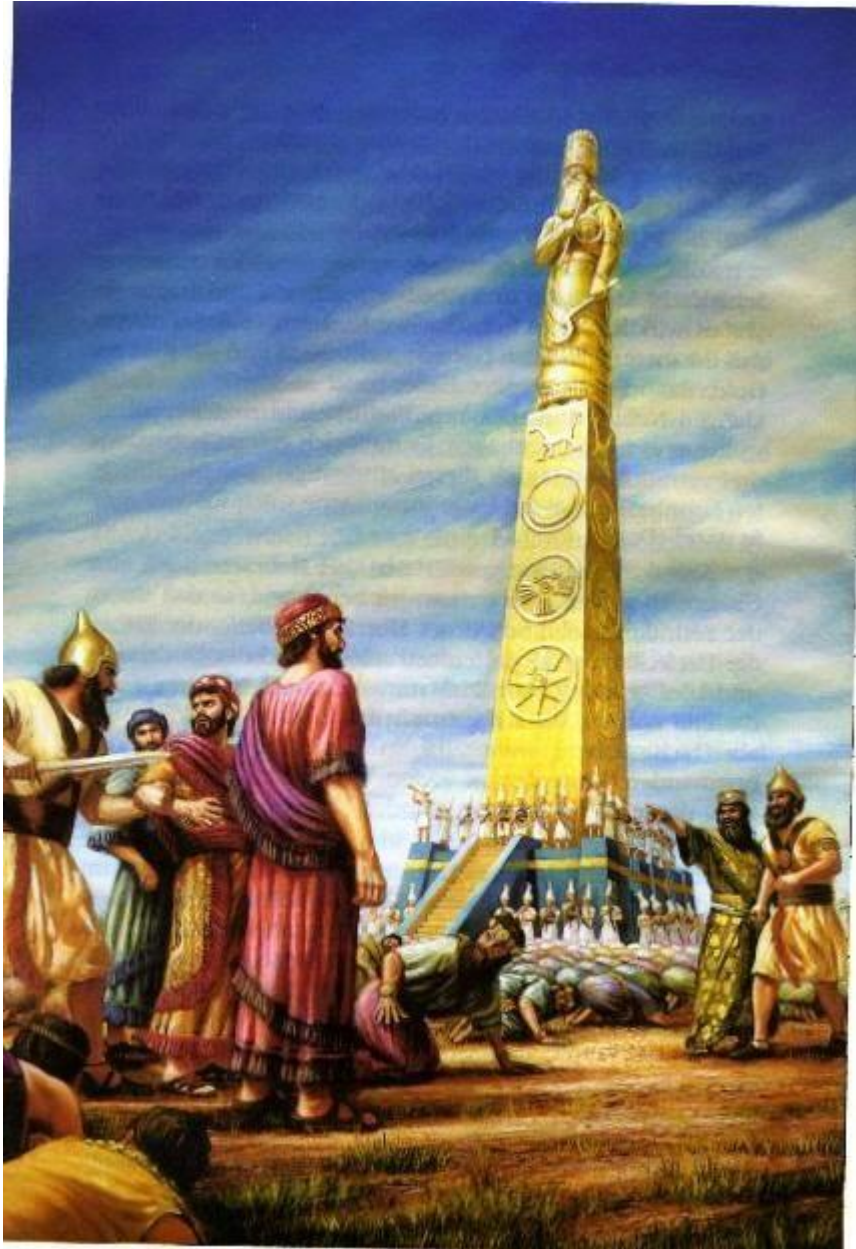
- Philippians 3:20

Sojourning in this world

- Valuable asset for any country
 - Lawful obedience, Titus 3:1; Romans 13:1-5; I Peter 2:13-16; Acts 5:27-29
 - Giving honor to authorities, I Peter 2:17; Romans 13:6-7
 - Prayers for authorities, I Timothy 2:1-2
 - Sharers of good news, I Timothy 2:4-6
- Our goal -- a quiet and peaceable life, I Timothy 2:2-3

Remember God determines right

- Proverbs 16:9
- Ecclesiastes 8:17
- Romans 9:21



When Kings are Corrupt

- Examples
 - Roman Caesars
 - Jewish leaders, I Thessalonians 2:15
- Submit anyway, I Peter 2:18
- Necessary disobedience, Acts 5:29
- God remains in control
 - Matthew 10:28
 - Corrupt kings are still accountable, Daniel 5:13-28

Paul's Experience

"I appeal to Caesar", Acts 25:11; 16:37;
Jeremiah 37:18; I Samuel 12:3-5

God used pagan
government to
bring Paul to
Rome...



...so he could preach there



Implications for Christians Using Social Media

- These are tumultuous times politically
- I need to control my tongue – especially on social media