

Citizenship

*Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities,
for there is no authority except that which God has established.
(Romans 13:1, NIV)*

Taxes are one of our favorite complaints.
And we have a legitimate concern that
they be used to maximum benefit.

But let's never forget that taxes are
one of the best financial bargains ever.
Imagine each of us having to purchase all the benefits of government for ourselves:
building roads,
securing a full education for all our children,
protecting ourselves from enemies foreign and domestic
...and much, much more.

Taxes are a great bargain.
They are one of the fruits of our union.
Government itself is a gift of God.
Appreciate it.
Do all you can to keep it strong and just.

*Father,
bitterness and
discontent
are like infectious diseases.
Help me never to give them a start
in my thoughts or
in my words.
I don't want to contaminate myself or
those around me.*

Hymn: For Such a Time as This
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