

ROMANS 13 – Understanding the Present Time Outline

God's Perfect Justice

- * Submission to authorities –**
 - Established by God**
 - Rebellion brings judgment**
 - Do what is right**
 - Authorities bear the sword – punishment on wrongdoers**
 - Submit because of conscience**
- * Paying taxes –**
 - Authorities are God's servants**
 - Authorities give their time to governing**
 - Give what you owe whether taxes, revenue, respect or honor**

The Day is Near

- * The only debt should be love**
- * Love is the fulfillment of the law**
- * Understand the present time –**
 - Wake up from your slumber – your salvation is near**
 - The night is nearly over – the day is almost here**
 - Put aside the deeds of darkness**
 - Put on the armor of light**
 - Behave decently: no orgies and drunkenness, no sexual immorality and debauchery, no dissension and jealousy**
 - Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ**
 - Do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature**