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Like Authority, God Controls all the Things We Fear

Before we start and just so we know where we are headed, understand that a Ruler of a Thousand could easily have authority over 35,000 people. That is because the base unit in this system is the household, which has only one ruler. The republican form is very simple. First: we are commanded by covenant to submit to the Lord's Civil Authority. Second: the simple form of this covenant is understood by understanding the Rule of Ten. Once we understand the Rule of Ten, the same principle describes the other levels or orders: Rule of Fifties, Rule of Hundreds, Rule of Thousands, and probably most important the basic Rule of Household. By the way, the Rule of Thousands includes a repetitive Superior or Myriad order (tens, fifties, hundreds, and thousands) of thousands, as required.

Authority is very personal

In God's system, everyone submits to someone they know very well. Unless chosen to rule outside the household, that household ruler must choose to be under the authority of (submit to) a ruler of ten. In other words, he must choose someone he knows very well for his authority. Likewise, that ruler of ten must choose a ruler of fifty, who is under the authority of a ruler of a hundred, who is under the authority of a ruler of thousands, who are under authority to a ruler of myriads as required. Because a ruler of ten can rule 19 households, a ruler of a thousand thousands can easily cover 35,000,000 people. This system with four orders at the lower level and four at the superior level has more levels than our Municipal, County, State and Federal order. But with our balance of power between executive, judicial and legislative branches, we have three orders at each level so the Biblical System of 8 orders (2x4) compares to our system of 12 orders (3x4). Besides being less complex, the Biblical Republic starts way down at the Rule of 10 and household level. Each man is like a lively unique stone, not like one of many identical bricks from a single mold. The rulers in the Biblical Republic actually know their unique constituents who have chosen them as their representative of God's authority. Just like a wife chooses a husband to be her authority, these household rulers (men or women) must choose their authority. Like a wife dealing with a horrible husband, the term of that choice and other recourse is very similar to a marriage. Authority (even horrible husbands) is God's tool for our good.

Like the weather, the Devil, and all things we fear, God controls all authority. Because no man can serve two masters, all we have to do in his Republic is submit to one person that that knows us and is rather close personally. To understand God's system, we must first understand Household Rule and the Rule of Ten household rulers.

Household Rule and the Rule of Ten

Biblical Republican Government is based on household rule. Everyone in a household (even a one person household, male or female) must submit to the head of household. In other words, even that household ruler must also choose his ruler. Even when that household ruler is chosen to rule ten, fifty, 100, or thousands of households, that ruler must choose a ruler to serve. At the ruler of ten, the limit to the number of households under rule is 19. That level of 10 ruler and those 19 other household rulers would total 20 households. If there are 21 households, a new ruler of ten must be chosen from the last ten. Likewise, if there are 51 households a ruler of fifty must be chosen by the rulers of ten. If there are 101 households the rulers of fifty choose a ruler of hundred, and if there are 1001 households a ruler of thousands must be chosen by the rulers of hundreds. Notice the key: understanding household submission and the rule of ten keys the definition of the whole system.

Can we implement Biblical Government Now?

After reading this document and for more detail reading [The Christian Commonwealth](#), notice how easy it would be for Bible believers to apply this Biblical Government to our current situation. Throughout all the orders, ten is the most people we have to know: Ten at the first rule of ten level, five at the second rule of fifty level, three at the third rule of a hundred level, and ten at the fourth rule of thousands level. Notice how its personal bottom up nature will grow like a weed, requiring very little communication. It is all based on the rule of ten with the household as the base unit.

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