

# SERMON OUTLINE

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**Text : Romans 13: 1 - 14**

**Title : Submission To Authorities, Love For All, Putting On Christ**

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## **Introduction**

Presenting our bodies as living sacrifices  
The renewal of our minds

### **1. Be Subject to the Governing Authorities (13:1-7)**

- Rome in the Book of Revelation
- Can Paul really have meant this?
- God and pagan authorities
- Government and the restraint of evil (cf. 12:19)
- Christians as ‘good citizens’
- But what if...?

### **2. The Debt of Love (13:8-10)**

- Another obligation (cf. v. 7): to love one another
- (Not quite the same as ‘All you need is love’)
- Love as avoiding harming another (v. 10)
- Love as the fulfilment of the law

### **3. Putting on Christ (13:11-14)**

- What time is it? (v. 11)
- The ‘works of darkness’... (v. 12)
- ...which include ‘quarrelling and jealousy’ (v. 13)
- ‘Putting on’ and ‘taking off’ (v. 14)

## **Conclusion**

The Church before the watching world