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*“For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king; it is he who will save us”*

Isaiah 33:22

## **I. There Is a Biblical Worldview presented by God**

- A. God created man in His own Image - HE is our ultimate authority (Gen. 1:26 – 30)
- B. God established His nation through Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob –  
HE establishes His covenant (Gen. 12:1-3)
- C. God rescues His people from Egypt through Moses – He redeems His people (Ex. 19 – 24)
- D. God reveals the Torah as the constitution of His nation –  
He determines the rules (Duet. 28)
- E. God institutes the Tabernacle and Priesthood –  
He regulates the morality of the nation (Num. 2:1,2)

## **II. There is a Higher Law Principle (Isa. 33:22)**

- A. God’s word = God’s laws = God’s will is considered the “higher law” (Isa. 33:22)
- B. We are called to submit to God’s ordained authority when possible  
(2 Pet. 2:13 – 17, Rom. 13)
- C. So what do we do when Man’s law contradicts God’s law?
- D. We have to refuse to submit to authority when the Higher Law principle is confronted
  - 1. The midwives decide not to follow the king’s command (Ex. 1:15 – 17)
  - 2. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refuse to bow to the image (Dan. 3:16 – 18)
  - 3. Daniel refuses NOT to pray (6:10)
  - 4. Peter refuses NOT to preach (Act 5:29, 41,42)
  - 5. The story of the martyrs throughout history

## **III. There Is a Time to Stand Up and Be Counted**

- A. Our nation is founded on the Judeo-Christian faith
- B. If we are too passive in the face of the “evolution effect” we will lose our freedoms
- C. The state becomes a ‘god’ in itself if there is no appeal to higher authority
- D. The ultimate question of every society: Who do we trust to rule over us?
- E. “As for me and my house we will serve the Lord” (Joshua 24:15) – In God We Trust!