

The Bible, Crime and Measures 57 and 61

Living in Exile – Part Seven

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Yeats' The Second Coming and No Country for Old Men

Scapegoats, Orissa, and Wall Street

Evaluating Ballot Measures, the Bailout, and Candidates – Supporting/Voting for the Lesser of Two Evils

Seeking Peace by Knowing Goals and Means

The Tongue is Mightier Than the Pen

- I. The Function of the Civil Ruler
 - A. According to the U. S, Constitution
The King of the Wild Frontier (Davy Crockett), Horatio Bunce and Barak Obama
 - B. According to the Bible
 1. Central Texts - 1 Peter. 2:11-17 (See also Rom. 12:17-13:5)
 - A. Living in Exile in Roman Culture – The Battle Plan
 - B. Warring Victoriously – The First Battle
 - C. Warring Victoriously – The Second Battle
 - D. Normal Allies in the Battle – God's Ministers of Vengeance and Vindication
 - E. The Will of God – Victory!
 2. Caveat – Psalm 72, The King's Table, etc.
 - C. According to the Fathers
- II. Goals and Means – Justice and Judges
 - A. What Is Crime – Sin or Sickness?
 - B. What is Justice?
 1. Restitution vs. Penitent-iaries and (Monastic) Cells- Heb. 2:2; Dt. 4
 2. The Death Penalty, the Ministry of Vengeance, and Anabaptist Heresies
 3. Safety, Peace and the Goal of Seeking the Peace
 - C. What Is a Judge – A Computer or A Man? Ex. 21:22; 21:12
- III. Real World Options – Measures 57 and 61
 - A. Protection of Property
 - B. Disempowerment of Judges
 - C. More Penitent-iaries and (Monastic) Cells
 - D. Safety of Citizens and Their Property