

Discussion Questions

1. What are the implications of the fact that God established the institution of the state, but not a particular form of government?
2. If Jews and Greeks could overcome their cultural differences through the gospel in the first century, how must we ensure that fellow Christians overcome their political differences through our common commitment to Jesus? What might that look like at Central?
3. What is the responsibility of the state? How does Paul put politics in its proper place? In what ways do we need to ensure that we do not turn politics into an idol?
4. Why must we be subject to the state right up to the point that the state begins to interfere with our relationship to God? How are Christians called to engage with politics? How should Philippians 3.20 and 1 Peter 2.1-6 guide us?