# Sunday, November 8th, 2020

## Title: Maintiens Le Droit Series: Hearing God...2 Text: Romans 13:1 - 7

## Introduction:

Just A Sheep!?!?

- Two different Types of Sheep
  The Natural Sheep Hears But Rejects
- 3. The Lord's Own Sheep

#### 1. The Responsibility of Government:

1.1) Government SHOULD represent the Lord God Almighty!

Romans 13:1, "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God."

~ Government should seek the will of God not man. "Politically correct" is a repeat of Judges 21:25, "In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes."

1.2) Government is to Maintiens Le Droit (Maintain the Right):

Romans 13:3, "For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval,"

~ MY OPINION is that only the Lord God is "good" and only God can declare what is good; we need to be praying that our elected officials would hear God.

Mark 10:18, "And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone."

<u>1 Timothy 2:1 – 2, "First of all, then, I urge that suppli-</u> cations, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, (2) for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way."

1.3) Government is to Bear the Sword of God's Wrath: <u>Romans 13:4 – 5,</u> "for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. (5) Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience." ~ Police in Canada killed in the line of duty in 2019-38

World War 2		
Deaths by Country:	Military	<u>Civilian &amp; Military</u>
Belgium	12,100	86,100 (74,000)
Czechoslovakia	25,000	345,000 (320,000)
Estonia	Nil	51,000
Latvia	Nil	227,000
Lithuania	Nil	353,000
China 3	– 4 Millio	n 20 Million
Korea	Nil	378,000 - 473,000
Philippines	57,000	500,000 - 1,000,000

#### 2. The Responsibility of Individuals:

- 2:1) Be Subject: ~ Romans 13:1, 5 - 7; compare Jesus in Mark 12:16
- 2.2) Do good:

~ Romans 13:3, "For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive approval,"

~ But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men."

2.3) Maintiens Le Droit:

~ Psalm 82:3 - 4, "Give justice to the weak and the fatherless: maintain the right of the afflicted and he destitute. (4) Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

~ Proverbs 31:8 – 9, "Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. (9) Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and the needy."

### 3. The "Rest" God Promises:

- 3.1) ~ Isaiah 2:2 4 ~ Revelation 21 and 22
- 3.2) "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen"