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Church and Government - Pastor Keith

Pslam 112:1-10 (TPT)

1 Shout in celebration of praise to the Lord!

Everyone who loves the Lord and delights in him will cherish his words and be blessed beyond expectation. **2** Their descendants will be prosperous and influential. Every generation of his godly lovers will experience his favor.

3 Great blessing and wealth fills the house *of the wise*, for their integrity endures forever. **4** Even if darkness overtakes them, sunrise-brilliance will come bursting through because they are gracious to others, so tender and true. **5** Life is good for the one who is generous and charitable, conducting affairs with honesty and truth. **6** Their circumstances will never shake them

and others will never forget their example. **7** They will not live in fear or dread of what may come, for their hearts are firm, ever secure in their faith. **8** Steady and strong, they will not be afraid, but will calmly face their every foe until they all go down in defeat. **9** Never stingy and always generous to those in need, their lives of influence and honor will never be forgotten, for they were full of good deeds. **10** But the wicked take one look at a life lived like this

and they grit their teeth in anger, not understanding their bliss. The wicked slink away speechless in the darkness that falls, where hope dies and all their dreams fade away to nothing, nothing at all!

Matt. 16:17-19 - "**CHURCH**" ~ (TPT) **legislative assembly...**

17 Jesus replied, "You are favored and privileged Simeon, son of Jonah! For you didn't discover this on your own, but my Father in heaven has supernaturally revealed it to you. **18** I give you the name Peter, a stone. And this truth of who I am will be the bedrock foundation on which I will build my church—my legislative assembly, and the power of death will not be able to overpower it! **19** I will give you the keys of heaven's kingdom realm to forbid on earth that which is forbidden in heaven, and to release on earth that which is released in heaven."

Matt. 28:19-20 (TPT) - All **Authority** has been given... Making **Disciples/Leaders** of every demographic

19 Now go *in my authority* and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **20** And teach them to faithfully follow all that I have commanded you. And never forget that I am with you every day, even to the completion of this age."

Eph. 1:19-23 (TPT) - His **Government** is executed by the **CHURCH**

19 I pray that you will continually experience the immeasurable greatness of God's power made available to you through faith. Then your lives will be an advertisement of this immense power as it works through you! This is the mighty power **20** that was released when God raised Christ from the dead and exalted him to the place of highest honor and supreme authority in the heavenly realm! **21** And now he is exalted as first above every ruler, authority, government, and realm of power in existence! He is gloriously enthroned over every name that is ever praised, not only in this age, but in the age that is coming!

22 And he alone is the leader and source of everything needed in the church. God has put everything beneath the authority of Jesus Christ *and has given him the highest rank above all others.* **23** And now we, his church, are his body on the earth and that which fills him who is being filled by it!