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Gen. 2:18-20-¹⁸ Then the LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.” ¹⁹ Out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the sky, and brought *them* to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called a living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the sky, and to every beast of the field, but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him.

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Lev. 17:11-For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.’

Acts 15:10-Now therefore why do you put God to the test by placing upon the neck of the disciples a yoke which neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear?

Acts 15:20-but that we write to them that they abstain from things contaminated by idols and from fornication and from what is strangled and from **blood**.

Acts 15:29-that you abstain from things sacrificed to idols and from **blood** and from things strangled and from fornication; if you keep yourselves free from such things, you will do well.
Farewell.

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Rom. 13:1-7-Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God. ² Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves. ³ For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good and you will have praise from the same; ⁴ for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil. ⁵ Therefore it is necessary to be in subjection, not only because of wrath, but also for conscience' sake. ⁶ For because of this you also pay taxes, for *rulers* are servants of God, devoting themselves to this very thing. ⁷ Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax *is due*; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

Titus 3:1-Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed.

1 Tim. 2:1-4-First of all, then, I urge that entreaties *and* prayers, petitions *and* thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, ² for **kings and all who are in authority**, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Exod. 1:15-17-¹⁵ Then the king of Egypt spoke to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other was named Puah; ¹⁶ and he said, "When you are helping the Hebrew

women to give birth and see *them* upon the birthstool, if it is a son, then you shall put him to death; but if it is a daughter, then she shall live.”¹⁷ But the midwives feared God, and did not do as the king of Egypt had commanded them, but let the boys live.

Josh. 2:3-4-³ And the king of Jericho sent *word* to Rahab, saying, “Bring out the men who have come to you, who have entered your house, for they have come to search out all the land.”⁴ But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them, and she said, “Yes, the men came to me, but I did not know where they were from.

Rev. 13:10-If anyone *is destined* for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.

Acts 5:29-But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men.

Matt. 26:52-Then Jesus said to him, “Put your sword back into its place; for all those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword.”

Jas. 3:9-With it we bless *our* Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God

Gen. 4:13-15-¹³ Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is too great to bear! ¹⁴ Behold, You have driven me this day from the face of the ground; and from Your face I will be hidden, and I will be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.”¹⁵ So the LORD said to him, “Therefore whoever kills Cain, vengeance will be taken on him sevenfold.”

And the LORD appointed a sign for Cain, so that no one finding him would slay him.

Matt. 5:38-44-³⁸“You have heard that it was said, ‘AN EYE FOR AN EYE, AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.’ ³⁹ But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. ⁴⁰ If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. ⁴¹ Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. ⁴² Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you. ⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.

“there has never been a single case in the United States in which an innocent person has been executed. One of the primary reasons that the innocent are protected from execution in our country is because we have an abundance of legal safeguards...Moreover, DNA testing now further protects the innocent from being mistakenly convicted.” Jackson, *Conservative Comebacks to Liberal Lies: Issue by Issue Responses to the Most Common Claims of the Left from A to Z*, 149.

“the majority of those executed since 1976 have been white, even though black criminals commit a majority of murders. If the death penalty is ‘racist,’ it is racist against whites, not blacks, since blacks commit the largest number of murders.” Ibid., 152.

“The death penalty was also on the statute books of every single state when the Constitution was adopted. The Founding Fathers

who adopted the Bill of Rights banning ‘cruel and unusual punishment’ did not have a problem implementing the death penalty.” Gregg Jackson, *Conservative Comebacks to Liberal Lies: Issue by Issue Responses to the Most Common Claims of the Left from A to Z* (Bridgeport, PA: JAJ, 2006), 151.

Conclusion

Num. 6:24-26-²⁴ The LORD bless you, and keep you;
²⁵ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; ²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.’