## In God We Trust "One Nation Under God" - Mark 12:13-17; Romans 13:1-7 Dair Hileman, Senior Pastor

Mark 12:13-17 A Christian is a citizen of two realms with a duty to both.

Romans 13:1-2 We are to <u>submit</u> to human government because it is <u>established</u> by God.

The purposes of government are to:

- 1. Reward righteousness and punish evil. (Romans 13:3-5)
- 2. Maintain order and peace. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

The problem with government is the <u>flawed people</u> who run it.

- \* We are blessed to have government <u>of</u> the people, <u>by</u> the people, and <u>for</u> the people.
- \* We are protected by the rule of <u>law</u> and by <u>checks</u> and <u>balances</u>.
- \*We must seek to be good citizens of both.